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The seventh of a series of mysteries which come under the observation of Prof. Augustus S. F. X. Van Dusen, Ph. D., LL. D., etc., etc., so-called

"The Thinking Machine,"

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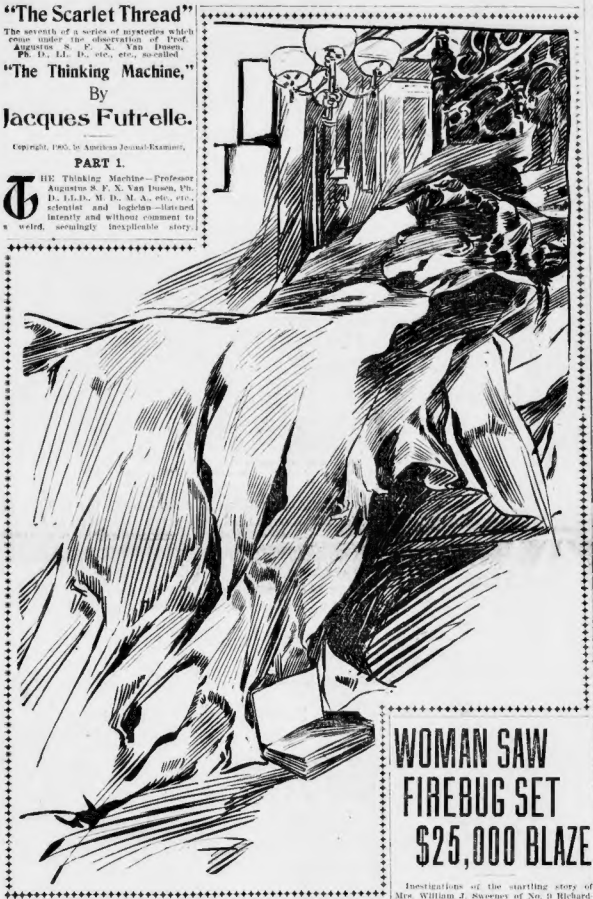
PART 1.

THE Thinking Machine—Professor Augustus S. F. X. Van Dusen, Ph. D., LL.D., M. D., M. A., etc., etc., scientist and logician—listened intently and without comment to a weird, seemingly inexplicable story.



"This noon she had not appeared; there was an odor of gas, and the door was broken in. Then she was found dead."

Hutchinson Hatch, reporter, was telling it. The bowed, slender figure of the savant was stretched out comfortably in a large chair, the enormous head, with its long yellow hair resting against a cushion, the thin white fingers pressed tip to tip and the blue eyes, narrowed to mere slits, squinting aggressively at the ceiling through their thick glasses.

The scene of the telling was in the small laboratory of the scientist on Beacon Hill—that room from which had been propagated scientific truths and conclusions which had from time to time startled the world and won for The Thinking Machine a long list of honorary initials. It was not unlike other scenes in the same room when Hatch, who was a little more astute than the average newspaper man, had been himself puzzled, and had sought the assistance of the keen, cold, analytical brain of the scientist.

In some way—possibly neither Hatch nor The Thinking Machine could have explained it—there had grown up a warm friendship between these two men, who were as radically different as one could imagine. One was a man whose slightest word was considered of the highest importance in the sciences, yet who lived a narrow, crabbed life, almost like a recluse, in his small home; the other an active newspaper man, representing all that is vital, all that is happening in the world.

In the past the brains of the two men had jointly sought and found explanation of several intangible mysteries. These appealed to The Thinking Machine, possibly, as a sort of relaxation from the more serious work of the laboratory. Anyway, he had never refused his aid to the reporter, and Hatch had grown accustomed to asking for it. The scientist always had a suggestion to offer, and the value of these had been proven in the final solving of the various riddles. This one, now, Hatch had begun to recite.

"From the beginning," said The Thinking Machine, "every fact you know," said The Thinking Machine.

"Well, it's all out in the Back Bay,"

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GREAT TURBINE LINER IS SAFE AT NEW YORK

New Cunarder Carmania Completes Voyage from Liverpool.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—The Cunard line steamer Carmania, the greatest of turbine merchantmen, arrived at her pier in the North River to-day from Liverpool. The vessel reached Sandy Hook Lightship yesterday afternoon, but owing to a gale which prevailed a pilot could not board her, and Captain John Pritchard decided to remain outside.

Though the Carmania does not rank with the Baltic or the Amerika in point of size, or with Kaiser Wilhelm II. in speed, yet she is distinctive in that she is the first gluttons of the sea to discard the reciprocating engine, a type of propulsion universal with big ocean vessels since steam supplanted to anything. She is propelled by enormous turbine engines. With the exception of her engines the Carmania is a duplicate of her older sister, the Caronia.

The Carmania has three screws one propeller on either side of the rim and the third just forward of the rudder. She is 675 feet in length, seventy-five feet wide and her registry is 21,000 tons. She has accommodations for 3,000 passengers. Two other turbined or rotary engined vessels are being built by the Cunard line for service in 1907, but they are to be "Byrra" the construction contract guaranteeing an hour's average speed of twenty-five knots for the whole distance across the Atlantic.

WOMAN SAW FIREBUG SET $25,000 BLAZE

Investigations of the startling story of Mrs. William J. Sweeney of No. 9 Richardson street, Somerville, that she saw the firebug who started the blaze that caused $25,000 damage to the property of the Derby Desk Company in the rear of No. 342 Lowell street, was begun to-day by the State Police.

Mrs. Sweeney's home was one of those near the factory which caught fire and was slightly burned. Occupants of the houses were compelled to leave their homes until the fire was under control.

Twenty minutes before the fire was discovered roaring through all parts of the factory, Mrs. Sweeney saw a man at work on the buildings, pulling away boards and lighting matches. She was seen and could give no alarm. This is her story, as told to Chief Hopkins of the Somerville fire department and a BOSTON AMERICAN reporter:

Heard Boards Ripped Off.

"About 8:15 p. m. I was putting my five children to bed and I heard a ripping noise outside like a board breaking. At first I thought that it was the clothesline being torn down by the wind. I heard it again and looked out the window, and saw a man pull a board out of the window of the Derby Desk Company. He had taken two boards out showing a large pane of glass.

"When he saw me he tried to make me think that he was out after fire wood, and he picked up the boards and ran. He went out of sight entirely for quite a few minutes, and then I saw him on the fire escape on the snow beneath my window. I got frightened and put out the light in my bedroom and pulled down the curtains. I cut a slit in the curtain with my knife and watched the man as he went back and pulled the rest of the boards from the window.

"Then I heard the glass breaking and saw the man light a match, as though he were trying to look around. The match was blown out by the wind, and then one of my children began to cry and I left the window.

"As soon as I put the baby asleep, I turned around and saw the reflection of the flames on the window. I rushed to the window and pulled up the curtain just in time to see the fireing jump the fence and run out on Richardson street.

"Then reb y this time seemed to be bursting from all the windows in the building, and I ran to the front of my house and leaning out of the window shouted as loud as I could until I aroused some of the neighbors and someone turned in an alarm. When the firemen arrived the building was a mass of flames."

GUNBOAT, REVENUE CUTTER AND LIGHTHOUSE TENDER RACE IN STORM TO SAVE 13 MEN

LIGHTSHIP IN PERIL

Wireless Appeals by Lightship 58 for Rescue From Death

Following are the wireless messages received from the leaking lightship forty-two miles at sea in the raging gale:

8:00 a. m.—We have sprung aleak, and water is pouring into fireroom. Send us help.

9:00 a. m.—Crew are working on the pumps, but water continues to enter. Situation looks bad.

10:30 a. m.—Situation more critical. Cannot control water. Send help from New Bedford.

2:00 p. m.—No change. Sea high. Gale blowing seventy miles an hour.

3:00 p. m.—Fires being extinguished by rush of water. Dynamo and wireless apparatus threatened.

4:00 p. m.—We are helpless. Sea rough and gale continues. Water still gaining.

4:00 p. m. until midnight—Silence.

2:00 a. m.—Help! help! or we are drowned.

Wireless Cry for Help Sent from Nantucket Shoals Responded to by Government Vessels from Three Points—Brave Raging Seas to Rescue Crew of Sinking Vessel.

Special to the Boston American.

NEWPORT, R. I., Dec. 11.—From Lightship No. 58, fifty-two miles at sea on Nantucket Shoals, with thirteen men aboard, aleak and sinking, this last cry for help was flashed by wireless at 2 o'clock this morning:

"HELP! HELP! OR WE ARE DROWNED!"

With full steam on, fighting the fury of the gale that is sweeping the coast, three vessels are making their way to the imperilled ship. They are the Azalea, from New Bedford; the Hist, gunboat, from the torpedo station here, and the revenue cutter Gresham, from Boston. The Azalea started at 7:30 o'clock last night and the Hist at 6 a. m. to-day. The Gresham left in the night.

NOW AT MERCY OF AWFUL GALE

The first call for help came from the lightship at 8 o'clock yesterday morning, when the gale was blowing seventy-two miles an hour. The vessel, which has water-tight compartments, wired that she had sprung a leak. Through the day and up to 2 o'clock this morning at intervals the call for assistance continued, each one more insistent than the one before.

Nothing has come from the ship since 2 o'clock. Brave fears are entertained lest she has succumbed to the mighty seas that were rolling about her, ready to engulf her with her commander, Captain Jorgensen, her three wireless telegraph men and her crew of fourteen.

The wireless telegraph from the boat was worked at that time from an emergency storage battery, the water disabling the dynamos. It is believed at the wireless station here that either the batteries have given out or the men are saving them for one more call.

MEN IN CRITICAL STATE.

The brief messages from the sinking boat told the critical condition of the men. The fierce storm, the first icy blast from the ice king, swept waves into mountains, that hurled themselves against the vessel, snarling her cables and sweeping over her decks. All of the trees were out, and the men were slowly freezing, their heroic efforts at the pumps keeping their blood in circulation. The water poured in through the leak, gaining in spite of their efforts.

It was apparent to the men aboard that unless help came soon they would be lost. At 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon they wired that they were helpless. The story of their fight through the night of awful danger—if they are still afloat—has reached shore yet. At 2 o'clock the vessel was still afloat.

Judging by the fury and continuance of the gale, the lightship is as near founder ing as possible and remain on the surface of the water. The crew is absolutely powerless. All that is left for them is hope. Maybe this hope will be realized, as the fastest Hist and the lighthouse tender Azalea are fighting wind and waves in their efforts to rescue the lightship and her crew.

The Nantucket lightship is anchored fifty two miles at sea. She is entirely out of sight of land and within a few miles of the Gulf Stream. This has for years been the turning point of steamers bound to and from Liverpool and New York and is considered a very dangerous berth. Lightship No. 58, as she is officially known, has been on this station for only the past five or six days. She is commanded by Captain Jorgensen, of Dennis, and besides three wireless telegraph operators, has a crew of fourteen men.

HIST SENT TO RESCUE.

While the gale was at its worst, the lock was discovered in her fire room. Pumps were at once manned, but this did not stop the rush of water. A few hours after assistance was asked through the wireless station here and officials were notified. The condition was desperate and the appeal which came from the stricken vessel showed her in imminent danger of going to the bottom with all her crew, if assistance were impossible that it soon reached. Yet the gunboat Hist was ordered to her rescue shortly after the message was received. Almost as soon as the Hist had left her dock, her sailing gear became unmanageable and had to put back. In the meantime another and more pressing call for help was received. Other officials were notified, and the lighthouse tender Azalea was ordered from New Bedford. She left at 7:30 last night.

There is a possibility that the lightship may weather the storm. She has five water tight compartments, and some of the officers are of the opinion that these will keep her afloat until she can be rescued.

This is only true, however, provided one of the vessels sent to her aid can reach her before the storm has spent its fury.

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ARREST OF CHIEF MAY PRECIPITATE REVOLT

CRISIS IN LABOR TROUBLES AT HAND, AND WITTE'S FALL ANTICIPATED.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 11.—The situation in Russia is hourly growing graver. Another crisis is at hand involving the indefinite prolongation of the strike, the probable immediate precipitation of a general strike throughout Russia and a possible final struggle between the government and the proletariat.

This sudden change for the worse is the result of the shedding of the first blood in the telegraph strike this evening almost simultaneously with the action of M. Durnovo, Minister of the Interior, in throwing down the gauntlet to the labor organizations by arresting M. Krustaleff, president of the executive committee and three other members of the workmen's council, without warning.

General Strike Urged.

The news of the arrest of Krustaleff created an immense sensation among the workmen. All the social, labor and kindred organizations held a meeting, at which most inflammatory speeches were made in denunciation of the government and all urged a general strike in order to save their leader.

Krustaleff, as he is called, though that is not his right name, is regarded as the brains of the revolutionary movement. He has disputed genius in organizing both the industrial and political strikes which have terrorized the government. His offer of financial support to the telegraphers yesterday prevented a collapse of their strike.

In some quarters it is believed that the Government, realizing that a great struggle with the workmen and the socialist organizations is inevitable in January, arrested Krustaleff with the intention of deliberately precipitating matters by challenging the organizations before they were fully prepared.

Ripe for Revolution.

Only yesterday, to an interview, M. Krustaleff said:

"The whole country is ripe for revolution. A vast majority of the workmen are true revolutionaries, though starvation sometimes compels them to subordinate their political aims. Preparation for an armed rising is highly advanced, but it cannot hope to succeed unless joined by a considerable body of troops.

"The propaganda, however, has made such strides in the army that the revolutionaries are justified in counting on sufficient support from that source to insure victory."

Many believe that the fall of Count Witte is imminent, and that when he goes he will leave reaction and revolution face to face.

RACE TO AID OF LIGHTSHIP IN PERIL ON NANTUCKET SHOALS

WIRELESS CRY FOR HELP FROM ANY SOURCE

Every Effort Being Made to Rescue 14 Imperilled Men On Sinking Boat.

SPRUNG ALEAK IN A GALE

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her very quickly. She has now been leaking thirty hours, and any number of water-tight compartments could not keep the vessel from sinking much longer.

GUNBOAT HIST AFTER ACCIDENT RACES TO RESCUE

NEWPORT, R. I., Dec. 11.—Notwithstanding the fury of the gale every effort has been made to rescue the foundering Nantucket lightship. As soon as communication could be had with Lieutenant-Commander Marshall of the Second Lighthouse District, in Cambridge, he ordered the lighthouse tender Azalea to put out from New Bedford. The tender left at 7:30 o'clock last night. In the meantime, from the torpedo station here, the gunboat Hist was dispatched.

Almost as soon as she had left the dock her steering gear broke down and she had to repair this. Commander and crew were anxious to brave for the spot where the lightship was going down, possibly with all on board.

All night did the men work repairing the Hist. Everything was done to hasten the work. When at 2 o'clock this morning there came another cry for help, the men were almost maddened at being powerless to rush to the lightship.

Finally everything was in readiness and the Hist again steamed out. This time there was nothing to stop her. She is crowding all steam on, and if speed will save the lightship she will be towed to a place of safety.

LIGHTHOUSE TENDER BRAVES STORM TO SAVE NANTUCKET

NEW BEDFORD, Dec. 11.—Leaving here at 7:30 o'clock last night and carrying every pound of steam of which her boilers were capable, the lighthouse tender Azalea is on her way to rescue the crew of the Nantucket lightship "58."

When the Azalea pulled out, the wind was howling a gale and waves were rolling mountain high. But this did not deter Captain Gibbs nor his men. Notwithstanding the fear that the Azalea could not stand the fury of the storm, officers and men determined to make the attempt.

The Azalea is but a small craft for such a storm, but Captain Gibbs knows every inch of the water on which he is to sail, and not where the lightship is moored can he be with everything that human agency can devise to reach the vessel.

Nothing has been heard of them since their departure. It is possible that Captain Gibbs found the storm too powerful for him, and put in for shelter. But, knowing the man, it is equally possible that he has carried out his orders, and has rescued the crew of the lightship.

BEACHES BADLY WASHED BY HIGH TIDES AT CHATHAM

CHATHAM, Dec. 11.—The beaches in this vicinity were badly washed by to-day's storm, and in some places heavy inroads were made by the sea and extremely high tide. No vessel was seen off shore during the day, and no wrecks were reported.

The storm moderated toward night, when the wind backed into the northwest, bringing with it colder weather.

LIGHTSHIP "58" HAS BEEN IN HARD STORMS BEFORE

This is not the first time Lightship No. 58 has been in danger. Last February while doing duty at the Nantucket Shoals station as a relief boat, she broke loose from her moorings and was found several days later drifting far out at sea. At that time she was helpless, but there was no such danger as she is now passing through.

The Nantucket lightship is only about nine years old, and for the past two years has been used solely as a relief vessel. She is a model of her kind, and she is built particularly for rough weather service as she is now passing through.

She is commanded by Captain James Jorgensen, who has been in the service of the United States about thirty years. He has commanded four previous lightships on Nantucket shoals, and was given his present assignment for meritorious service. Charles E. Acorn of No. 9 Shafter street, Dorchester, is mate of the vessel. Her first engineer is Stephen Davis of Fairhaven and her second engineer is John Libby of Newport.

ALL NANTUCKET IS SWEPT BY A FIERCE STORM; SHIPS ADRIFT

NANTUCKET, Dec. 11.—The whole island has been swept by one of the fiercest storms in years. Island shipping was greatly endangered for a time.

The schooner Angler parted her hawsers during the gale.

A dredger, which was moored off Beach Side, broke adrift and was in imminent danger of being washed ashore. The dredger was finally secured and safely anchored by the aid of two tug boats.

The shore front of the island were cut away badly, and Brandt Point was submerged.

WIND BLOWING 72 MILES AN HOUR SWEEPS CAPE COD

HIGHLAND LIGHT, Dec. 10.—The storm here to-day swept Cape Cod with great fury. The wind reached a velocity of seventy-two miles an hour at 8 o'clock this morning, and the sea was heavy and the tide of such height that the beaches were badly washed, and the lifesavers were obliged to make their patrols on top of the cliffs.

The storm began about midnight, and reached its height in eight hours, decreasing this afternoon. At 5 o'clock the blowing fifty-five mile an hour. No vessels passed here to-day, and the steamer Horatio Hall, for merly of the Inter Province town Harbor last night, did not attempt to leave.

BACON HEADS CLUB OF REAL FAT MEN

At the annual meeting of the New England Fat Men's Club at Woodsville, N. H., Albert S. Bacon of 68 Stanhope street, Dorchester, was chosen president. Mr. Bacon is a charter member of the club.

To be a member of the club one must weigh over 200 pounds. Mr. Bacon tips the scales at 205. The other officers are: Vice-presidents, A. H. Molton, Portland, Me.; E. M. Weed, Manchester, New Hampshire; H. William McLaughlin, St. Johnsbury, Vt.; C. K. Marsh, Worcester, Mass.; A. F. White, Cumberland Hill, R. I., and Joseph E. Marsh, Hartford, Ct.; secretary, Harry E. Parker, Bradford, Vt.; treasurer, Jerome F. Hale, Wells River, Vt.; representative to the grand conclave, David Scott.

BIG THRONG AT CHURCH CEREMONY

PROVIDENCE, Dec. 11.—Many Catholics attended the impressive ceremonies of blessing the foundation stone of St. Patrick's Church.

Bishop Harkins officiated and occupied the throne at the solemn high mass sung by Father Baggott. The occasional sermon, an eloquent one, was delivered by Rev. Austin Dowling, of St. Peter and Paul's Cathedral.

"I was present in the death chamber," he said, "and in a position to note everything that occurred. In the world's history I cannot believe that a condemned prisoner ever approached the gallows with more self possession and fortitude or acted with a more calm demeanor while on the gallows than did Mary Mabel Rogers.

"If those in charge of the execution had acted their part as well as she there could not have been a more successful execution. But they did not. When the trap gave way, she fell, striking her feet squarely on the floor, rebounded, and then settled until her feet again rested upon the floor.

"This was noticed immediately and two of the deputies who were on the scaffold seized the rope and, stepping backwards, pulled up the body. It is not that the feet were a full six inches from the floor. They held the body thus for fourteen minutes until the victim was pronounced dead. Then they twisted their hold and the body sank until her feet rested once more flat upon the floor.

"Several deputies later lifted the body and after some difficulty others below and on the gallows succeeded in loosening the noose and pulled it off the head. In doing so the hair was loosened and fell about her shoulders. The body was immediately put in a coffin. There was no autopsy. After the execution I heard one deputy say to another:

"I told them yesterday that the rope was too small."

Another said that he knew the rope would be too long, but they had left it as it was. After the drop fell I went to the foot of the gallows and closely observed that her feet were on the floor. Again before she was taken down I noticed that the body was resting on the floor so nearly that the body was bending backwards in the middle."

When Judge McCarthy was asked why he thought that there would be no investigation of the affair, he replied that Governor Bell, people had had all they desired of Mary Rogers, and that the hanging execution would be either hushed up or ignored.

In Shadow of Gallows, Woman Bunglingly Hanged Begged Forgiveness of Prison Superintendent

MRS. ROGERS' LAST PLEA

Newspaper Man Who Witnessed Execution Tells of Horrible Mistake in His Report.

Judge McCarthy Saw Deputies Pull Up Body When Feet Were Resting on Floor.

Special to the Boston American.

WINDSOR, Vt., Dec. 11.—The last written message of Mary Mabel Rogers, who was hanged at the State's prison here on Friday last, was a note of thanks to Superintendent W. S. Lovell. It shows that she had resigned herself to her fate and that she was grateful for the treatment she had received at the hands of the superintendent. The text of the letter is as follows:

Dear Mr. Lovell: As I am not much in speaking I pen you a few words as an expression of my extreme gratefulness for your extreme kindness bestowed upon me since in your care.

Mr. Lovell, I may not have always done as well as I might perhaps, but my only endeavor attempted now for what is past is to tell you that I am sorry and heartily sorry.

I know that you have a very kind heart and I am bound to think that I may obtain from you forgiveness. You know that Jesus tells us: "If thy brother trespass against thee and turns again to thee, saying 'I repent,' forgive him."

"Be ye tender hearted and forgiving even as God, for Christ's sake, hath forgiven you."

Yours truly, MABEL.

Bungling at Execution.

The revolting features of the hanging execution have aroused a strong sentiment, not only in this town but, according to reports from many other places, throughout the State, against a continuance of capital punishment. The report of Governor Bell's "publicity committee," to the effect that the execution was a success in every particular, led the people to think less of the horror of hanging a woman than was manifest a few hours later when the true facts became known through the exclusive account of the bungling execution in the BOSTON AMERICAN. Then witnesses who had kept the secret of the details told the real story in corroboration of the BOSTON AMERICAN'S account. Even Deputy Sheriff Klntry, who was on the scaffold, admitted the facts as they were stated in that paper.

The Rutland Herald, a representative of which was a member of the "publicity committee," printed an account of the hanging on the following day bearing out the BOSTON AMERICAN'S account in every essential detail, and a copy of that paper has been received here. The representative of the Rutland Herald has voted against a cut and dried report of the execution for the press, but not against the vote of the other two members of the committee, who were resolved, in accordance with the desire of Governor Bell, to issue a statement to the newspaper men from the State and from other States, who were gathered here, to the effect that the execution was a most successful one in all particulars.

"Someone Had Blundered."

The Rutland Herald was therefore obliged to subscribe to the stereotyped report as issued. He was at liberty, however, to write his own account of the hanging for his own paper, and the following is a portion of his story, which appeared under the headline, "Someone Had Blundered":

"The drop fell and the black figure shot downward. Someone had blundered. Her feet struck the floor. The rope was too long or it had stretched. Some turned their heads.

A Rood of Chester and P. C. Thrasher of Rochester pulled at the rope until the woman was free from the floor. She was held suspended by this rope in human hands for fourteen minutes until pronounced dead.

Men who witnessed the scene were visibly unnerved. One of the deputies said to a Herald reporter: "I had to turn away my head. May I never be commanded to take part in another such ungodly act."

McCarthy Tells of Horror.

HOOSIC FALLS, N. Y., Dec. 11.—Judge Charles A. McCarthy, who assisted in the long but unsuccessful fight to save Mrs. Rogers from the gallows, and was selected by the other members of her counsel to be present at the execution, has returned to his home. He is still visibly affected by the gruesome scene that he witnessed, and declares that he will never again attend an execution. He does not believe that there will be an investigation of the bungling affair, but if there is he says he will tell the truth of the

Plea for Forgiveness in Mrs. Rogers's Last Letter

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You know that Jesus tells us, "If thy brother trespass against thee and turns again to thee, saying 'I repent,' forgive him."

"Be ye tender hearted and forgiving even as God, for Christ's sake, hath forgiven you."

—Extract from last letter of Mary Rogers, addressed to Superintendent Lovell.

BARKING COW AROUSES TOWN

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—Frank Lindmayer, a farmer near Wickatunk, a little village near Freehold, N. J., has been exhibiting for the past two days a mooley cow that barked like a dog. Interest had died down yesterday, and the cow, having committed the offence of running dry, the farmer told the hired man to take her to the slaughter house and have her transformed into his winter's meat supply.

The hired man got along all right with his barking cow until he reached the main street of the village. Then the cow began to bark like a terrier and charged at the astonished man. He took to his heels and dropped the knife he needed to do her last stand below. James Jenkins, village constable, some past seventy, thought to calm the cow, but she turned on him, and the quick constable had to dive head foremost through a rail fence to escape her. Bodger Larkin, the grocer, climbed a tree in safety.

The barking cow aroused the entire village, which numbers 200 souls. A man with a gun shot at the beast. This time the crazy cow went down, but arose, and made a glorious death charge. It ended as she tumbled and lay dead.

A dog bit the cow several days ago. The village constable had to dive head foremost through a rail fence to escape her. Bodger Larkin, the grocer, climbed a tree to safety.

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CALL TO OUST DEPEW AND PLATT GROWS

Popular Sentiment Aroused for Movement Against New York Senators.

YALE ALUMNI HAVE ACTED

By Boston American Leased Wire.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—That earnest popular sentiment is back of the movement to oust Chauncey M. Depew and Thomas C. Platt not only from the United States Senate, but from other seats of honor, was manifested yesterday.

First—By numerous pledges of indorsement of the New York American's petition that the Legislature shall call for their resignation.

Second—By talk of a formal demand of the alumni of Yale, of which both Depew and Platt are members, that the former be dropped as a trustee of the University Corporation.

Yale Alumni Take Action.

The growing spirit of resentment against the men who have for so many years misrepresented the Empire State at Washington was accentuated in Buffalo, where on Saturday night the Yale Alumni Association, comprising hundreds of representative graduates from all over Western New York, formally repudiated Depew, and urged that Secretary of War William H. Taft be chosen to succeed him as Yale corporation trustee.

New Haven advices made it clear that the University authorities themselves are calling many to mind the fact that evidently the Buffalo affront is but one of a series of moves designed to force Depew out.

This dispatch to the AMERICAN from New Haven reflects the prevailing sentiment about Depew:

"Yale men plan to drop Chauncey M. Depew from the University Corporation or Board of Trustees. Instead of compelling him to resign before the end of his term of six years, he will probably be allowed to finish it next June.

Taft as Successor.

A definite movement has just been started to nominate Secretary William H. Taft for Depew's seat in the corporation. The movement came to life last night in Buffalo, where the annual banquet of the Yale Alumni Association was held. On motion of George P. Sawyer of that city, the alumni unanimously indorsed Secretary for the candidacy of Secretary Taft.

The other Yale alumni associations in different parts of the country will take similar action during the next few weeks."

WILL RUN 1,000 MILES.

CHICAGO, Dec. 11.—To run from Chicago to New York is the latest project of Albert L. Corey of the Chicago A. A., who recently failed to break the record between Milwaukee and Chicago. According to his present plans, Corey will start the 1,000-mile grind about June 15, when the roads are in good shape and the weather is not too warm. He expects to cover the distance in less than two weeks. In order to do this he will have to cover an average of a little over seventy miles a day.

EXECUTIONER FINED $20.

Dartmouth, Dec. 11.—It is rare that anything occurs at this dull little capital, but there is an item in the docket that has appeared. The Public Executioner, during a sitting of the Supreme Court, must glance at the Judge, which that august personage considered as being "disdainful" and fined him $20.

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So pure and antiseptic, so powerful, penetrating, and soothing as to have justly earned its title, King of Pain, it is the most effective, economical, and clean-to-use external cure for rheumatism, neuralgia, pleurisy, stiff, twisted joints, sore, strained, or lame muscles, lirids, aching feet, any pain or ache, as well as for throat and lung troubles, and a general family medicine.

Save Your Dollars Trade at Moller's
House Furnisher
LAFAYETTE SQ., CAMBRIDGEPORT

HELP WANTED—Female.
WOMAN wants work by day; house cleaning, ironing or cleaning. MRS. SWEENEY, 84 East Canton st., Boston.

ASTROLOGY.
MISS BELLE BUEY, removed to 610 Columbus av., suite 1, up to 5.

POLITICAL ADVERTISEMENTS. POLITICAL ADVERTISEMENTS.

Religion Dragged in by Frothingham

He Begs for Catholic Votes

Dewey Asks for American Votes

Look on this picture and then on that.
THE DEAL
The Admiral and the Judge.

THE DEAL
The Boss and the Bluebood.

American principles are good enough for us, Henry.—George "Let us work the town together," Dewey, U. S.

Frothingham publishes an advertisement trying to flatter Catholics. He says a relative of his read the riot act in Charlestown.

Republicans! What do you think of that?

A vote for Frothingham is a vote for Martin Michael Lomasney and the un-American Democratic gang of heelers.

Let us clean out City Hall, and put an American citizen in control who is proud of his Americanism and makes no unclean alliances.

Boston will be Republican because REPUBLICANS WILL VOTE FOR JUDGE DEWEY.

$16.00

BOSTON'S TAX RATE

Who Is Responsible?

1901—Total tax.....14.90
State tax and assessments, Boston.. .70
Tax for City and County purposes..$14.20

1905—Total tax.....$16.00
State tax and assessments, Boston.. 1.87
Tax for City and County purposes..$14.13

The Democratic City Government Reduced your tax 7 cents per $1000.

The Republican Legislature Increased your tax $1.17 per $1000.

Will you vote for DEMOCRATS who REDUCE TAXES or for a Republican, Mr. Frothingham, who has served five years in the Legislature as a Boston Representative without raising his voice in protest against the increased tax rate?

1895 State tax and assessments, Boston..$652,490.40
1905 State tax and assessments, Boston..4,029,874.89
An increase in ten years almost 700 per cent.

A vote for JOHN F. FITZGERALD for Mayor is a vote for LOWER TAXES and is a protest against REPUBLICAN WASTE AND EXTRAVAGANCE.

POLITICAL ADVERTISEMENT. POLITICAL ADVERTISEMENT. POLITICAL ADVERTISEMENT.

"TURN THE RASCALS OUT."

Dewey is a Republican. Lomasney does not own him.
Lomasney does own Frothingham.
Boston is sick of Democratic gang rule.
Lomasney, "Danny" Whelton and Frothingham are steering City Hall.
Republicans repudiate the unholy alliance.
Democrats have abused City Hall for years.
Let us restore Puritan Boston.
Republicans, it is up to you and to you alone.
The Democratic factional fight will enable us to come into our own.
Democrats will vote with us, not because they love us, but because they hate each other.
Frothingham is a disguised Democrat.
Republican Boston loves

JUDGE DEWEY.

THE Most Useful Gift for Man
Full Description in All Magazines
Sold by all leading Cutlery and Hardware dealers and dealers in gents' fine toilet articles.
Ask, to see them, and for booklet, or write us.
Gillette Sales Company,
Times Building, New York City.
Gillette Safety Razor

LEYLAND LINER HARD ON ROCKS

HAVANA, Dec. 11.—The Leyland liner Angola ran on the rocks, just below Morro Castle, while turning into the harbor, in full view of thousands taking their afternoon drives in the Malecon.

A heavy sea was running, and the current of the gulf stream was very strong when the Angola's captain, William Jones, tried to make the port. The pilot could not go aboard, and as the bow swung around the point, those ashore, it was carried by a huge sea high on the rock.

Seamen say there is grave doubt if the Angola can be saved.

CRIMSON SEVEN IS OUT TO-DAY

Practice for the Harvard hockey team begins this afternoon. Captain Dan Newhall of the Crimson seven has issued a call for all the candidates to report in the Hemenway gym this afternoon. The forwards will practice shooting and the goals blocking.

Only a few candidates have handed in their names to date, but the squad will no doubtedly be greatly increased soon.

Bucke's Dublin Bottled Guinness.

HOT FIGHTS FOR MAYORALTY IN MANY CITIES

Several Triangular Contests on and Candidates Making Exciting Campaigns.

BITTER PERSONALITIES

Besides the contest in Boston for the position of Mayor, which will be decided at the polls to-morrow, there is considerable interest in the election in several near-by cities. All through the State there will be held elections for chief executives of cities and in many of these cities the campaign which is now fast drawing to a close has been conducted with unusual vigor, and in several instances has engendered unusual animosity. This is true outside of Boston as well as in this city.

In Chelsea the nominees are Marcus M. Merritt, Democrat, and Edward E. Willard, Republican. The latter is the present chief executive of the city, having defeated his present opponent last year by a plurality of 398. Usually a Republican nomination means election, but so earnestly has Mr. Merritt waged his campaign this year the result is much in doubt.

Many leading Republicans of Chelsea are in open revolt against the party nominee, and these have organized a non-partisan party which is giving its support to the Democratic nominee. The campaign has been bitter in the extreme and both sides claim the victory.

The license question is also attracting some little attention in Chelsea, but this is really overshadowed by the interest in the fight between the candidates for Mayor.

Triangular Fight.

In Malden there are three candidates for Mayor—William A. Hastings, the present incumbent; Charles G. Warren and John M. Doyle. Friends of each claim victory, and the result of this three-cornered fight will be very close.

Mr. Warren is the Republican candidate and his lieutenants believe he will win because of the split-up in the vote of the other two candidates.

This has been the most bitter campaign in Malden history of Malden. Charges and counter charges have been made with frequency; the attacks of the two candidates against each other have been personal in the extreme. Rallies have been held nightly for the past week and the candidates have been the principal speakers at each. In every instance, the records of the other candidates furnished the keynote of the address of the third.

Mayor Hastings stands pat on his record as chief executive, while each of the other candidates promises many reforms if elected.

In Medford and in Newton there will be no Mayoralty elections. In the former a very interesting fight is on to unhorse man, while in Newton the shift of the politicians is devoted to a School Board fight. In both of these places very large elections are promised, there being but little interest, comparatively, taken in the campaign.

Bitter Peersonalities.

In Everett, what promised to be a lively fight for Mayoralty honors will have a very quiet end. This is due to the sudden death of George F. Foster, one of the leaders in the campaign which was waged by Thomas J. Boynton, who ran as a Democrat. This triangular contest has also been very bitter, personalities have been indulged in and up to and including Sunday, daily and almost nightly rallies have been held.

Of course, each candidate seems confident of his election, but as a matter of fact, the result is in doubt.

Two other contests, license or no license, and for aldermanic honors, which ordinarily would attract attention, are overshadowed by the more important—that for the position of Mayor.

Three candidates ask for the votes of the people of Melrose. These are Mayor Buttrick, Aldermen William A. Currie and Aldermen Charles J. Barton. The first two are Republicans and the last is a Democrat. Mayor Buttrick has served three terms. Some people think he should retire in favor of another. He believes his record will insure his re-election.

The campaign has been somewhat tame, but it is expected a very large vote will be polled.

RICH IN GOLD AND SILVER IS VERMONT MINE

Bennington Farmer's Find Declared to Be a Bonanza.

RUTLAND, Vt., Dec. 11.—Mineral assaying 327 gold and 812 silver to the ton is said to have been discovered by Aldo Vendette on Woodford mountain, near Bennington.

Vendette refused to accept aid in developing the vein, and will not entertain a proposition made to him Friday to sell out his holdings. He has returned from Montreal, where the assay was made, and says he can easily take out six tons of ore a day.

Capitalists who have seen the specimens carried to Montreal by Vendette assert that if mineral is found in such sufficient quantity to mine, Woodford mountain is likely to prove a bonanza.

NEW YORK STOCKS.

	Opening.	11 a. m.
Amal. Copper	96	96
Amer. Cot. & Foundry	41¾	41¾
Amer. Ice	6¾	6¾
Amer. Smelting	175	154½
American Sugar	138¾	138¾
Anaconda	130	117⅝
Atchison	89	89⅛
Baltimore & Ohio	112½	112½
Brooklyn Transit	72¾	72¾
Canadian Pacific	175⅞	175⅞
Chicago Great West	20½	20½
Colo. Fuel & Iron	47⅜	47⅜
Colo. So.	24	24
Louisville & Nashville	127½	127½
Metropolitan	118¾	118¾
Mexican Central	24⅛	24⅛
Missouri Pacific	104½	104½
M., K. & Texas	30¾	30¾
New York Central	152½	152½
Norfolk & Western	84½	84½
Ontario & Western	42⅝	42⅝
Pennsylvania	136¾	136¾
Reading	127½	127½
Rock Island	25⅝	25⅝
Rock Island pfd	68¾	68¾
St. Paul	178½	178½
T. C. & Iron	136	136
Union Pacific	140⅝	140⅝
U. S. Steel	27½	27½
U. S. Steel pfd	104½	104½
Wabash	27½	27½
Wabash pfd	44¼	44¼

BOSTON STOCKS.

	Opening.	11 a. m.
Allouez	4½	4½
Amalgamated	96¾	97¼
American Sugar	138⅞	138½
Bingham	48	48
Boston Con.	25¾	25¾
Boston & Maine	172	172
Centennial	20¾	21
Copper Range	87	87¾
Franklin	18	18
Granby	28½	29½
Mass	10½	10½
Michigan	18½	18¾
Mohawk	65½	66
Montana Coal	4	4
North Butte	43	43
Osceola	131	131
Parrot	25	25
Quincy	73¾	73¾
Shannon	7	7
Shoe Machinery	74	74
Trinity	12¾	12¾
United Copper	54½	55¼
United States Steel	27⅞	28
United States Mining	40¼	40¼
Union Pacific	140½	140¾
Utah	38	38¼

MOTHER OF 3 LITTLE ONES, SHOT IN PAWNSHOP, DIES IN CITY HOSPITAL

PAUL. HAZEL. VERONICA.

CONCANNON CHILDREN LEFT MOTHERLESS BY CARELESS SHOT.

By Boston American Staff Photographer.

Mrs. Paul Concannon a Victim of Accidental Firing of Revolver.

Children Vainly Wait Her Return, Father Fears to Tell Them the Truth.

Mrs. Catherine Concannon, mother of three children, is dead at the City Hospital, the result of a bullet wound received ash she was entering the pawnshop of John Naigles at No. 161 Broadway, South Boston, to obtain a loan on a coat and vest. Victor Rosenthal, the pawnbroker's clerk who was cleaning the revolver when it was accidently discharged, will be brought into court to have decided the question of his liability.

Mrs. Concannon lived at No. 219 Third street. Her husband Paul, is a longshoreman, big, sturdy, capable. Their home was regarded as one of the most comfortable in the neighborhood.

The three little ones were well cared for. They are Veronica, aged five years; Paul, three years, and the baby, Hazel, who is only a year old.

Left Veronica in Charge.

When their mother left home and said that she was going to get something for the babies, Veronica assumed control of affairs in the house. Her mother was gone longer than she expected, and the small nurse finally grew anxious. Then came the neighbors and made much of them with tears.

Veronica did not understand. "Where is my mother?" she demanded. Paul echoed the cry, and the hungry baby in the cradle joined in with her plaintive call. They hadn't missed their mother so long before.

After the big Paul Concannon came home with his face drawn with suffering and with fear in his eyes for the doctors at the hospital said that it was only a question of hours.

Told Mother Was Dead.

He met the demands of his children with the remark that the mother would not come home for a time. When they brought him the news of her death he knew not how to tell them.

"Mother was never so long buying things before," said Veronica in much perplexity.

"Never so long," echoed Paul. The baby cried again and Concannon called in the neighbors while he went to make arrangements for his wife's burial.

SCHILLER THE MAN TO TAKE COREY'S PLACE

President of National Tube Works Choice for Next Steel President.

By Boston American Leased Wire.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 11.—Each day the prospects of the selection of William R. Schiller, president of the National Tube Works, as president of the steel corporation to succeed William Ellis Corey, grows brighter.

The steel men of Pittsburg, who are interested in the corporation financially, have definitely settled on him as the practical man to take the place.

Mr. Schiller was a protege of Millionaire H. H. Crosby, for years president of the National Tube Works.

Mr. Crosby lived in a palatial home in Allegheny, and when his wife died some years ago he was left practically alone in the world.

He had two nieces, one of whom was a Mrs. Brideler of Boston, whose husband had just died, leaving her a young widow with one child.

At the earnest solicitation of her uncle she came from Boston and assumed charge of his household. Then Mr. Schiller met and fell in love with her.

They were married soon afterward, and when Mr. Crosby died Mr. Schiller was elected to the position of president of the tube company.

Left Fortune to Niece.

When the will of Mr. Crosby was read it was found that he had left the greater part of his fortune to his niece. It is estimated that Mr. Schiller is worth about $10,000,000.

Pittsburg relatives of Mr. and Mrs. Corey do not believe that the conference held yesterday afternoon at the Waldorf-Astoria in New York, between Corey and Mr. and Mrs. Schwab, for the purpose of effecting a reconciliation between the Coreys, will amount to anything.

EX-GOV. BLACK ARGUES HEARST APPEAL TODAY

Judge Parker, for McClellan, Seeks Reversal of Decision Written by Himself.

By Boston American Leased Wire.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—Clarence J. Shearn, of counsel for William Randolph Hearst, late last night left for Albany, where he will consult with former governor Frank S. Black regarding the proceedings for the opening of the ballot boxes and a recount and recanvass of the votes cast at the last election.

The appeal from the decision of the Appellate Division handed down on Wednesday will be argued before the Court of Appeals to-day.

Mr. Black will make the principal argument for Mr. Hearst, and former Judge Alton B. Parker will make the chief speech for McClellan.

Argues Against Himself.

Mr. Parker will be in the extraordinary position of making the chief argument for a reversal of a decision written by him and concurred in by a majority of the Judges of the Court of Appeals when Mr. Parker was the Chief Judge. The decision was rendered in the case of Britton vs. Way, which was almost identical with the case to be argued to-day. In that decision the then Chief Judge Parker maintained that:

"In such case, as we see it, it is by the statute made the duty of the Board of Canvassers to recount the ballots, which means that they shall follow the procedure required by the statute for a count of the ballots."

McClellan's Contention.

The contention of the McClellan attorneys to-day probably will be that in the event of a recount it should be strictly confined to a count of the ballots as so many slips of paper, and that the ballots should not be opened and the votes thereon canvassed.

A recanvass of the ballots cast in the four districts for which the ballot boxes already have been opened should show many discrepancies and resulted in no great an increase in the vote for the Municipal Ownership League candidate as to give promise that a recanvass of all the votes cast in the city would elect him by a large plurality.

Associated with former Governor Black before the Court of Appeals will be Austin G. Fox, Henry Youge and Mr. Shearn.

The arguments will be heard by Chief Judge Edgar M. Cullen and his assistants, Judges Gray, O'Brien, Bartlett, Haight, Vann and Werner. It is expected that a decision will be rendered promptly.

15 DAYS' SEARCH ENDS; FIND BODY OF MISSING MAN

James A. Bailey Dead in Presumpscot River, Portland.

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 11.—After fifteen days the body of James A. Bailey, who mysteriously disappeared from Pride's Crossing on November 25, was found today by Charles M. Allen of Highland Lake in the Presumpscot river, directly opposite Riverton Park Casino, about two yards from the bridge on the Westbrook shore.

Not over a foot of water covered the face. The feet extended toward the centre of the river. An undershirt partially covered his chest. The rest of the cloth ing consisted of drawers, boots, stockings and trousers.

There is no mark upon the body to indicate violence. The clothing was covered with sand and this, with Allen's claim, hold the body under water so long.

WHITE ON ATHLETICS.

Professor Horatio S. White, '73, of Harvard, chairman of the athletic committee, spoke before an enthusiastic gathering at the Phillips Brooks House yesterday on "Fundamentals of Harvard Athletics as a Generation Ago."

ARREST COST CITY $14,000

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—It cost the city of New York $14,000 to arrest William Lindsey, and when he was informed of the glory and distinction which had thus been so unexpectedly thrust upon him he did not make the slightest protest when Magistrate Furlong sentenced him to six months in the Kings County Penitentiary on a charge of vagrancy.

The novel position which Lindsey occupies is due to the sudden activity of Policeman Thomas J. Herbert, of the 47th Liberty avenue station, who broke a record of ten years with no arrests.

Lindsey did not have the slightest idea of the cause for all the commotion when he was brought into the station by Policeman Herbert. He pleaded earnestly to be set free.

"You want to be released?" cried the sergeant. "Why, man, you are famous now. Herbert has been drawing $1,400 a year and you are the first prisoner he has arrested in ten years. It just cost the city $14,000 to arrest you."

Royal is the greatest of all the baking powders in strength, purity, and healthfulness.

DISFIGURED BY ECZEMA

Wonderful Change in a Night. In a Month Face was Clear as Ever.

ANOTHER CURE BY CUTICURA

"I had eczema on the face for five months, during which time I was in the care of physicians. My face was so disfigured I could not go out, and it was getting from bad to worse. A friend recommended Cuticura. The first night after I washed my face with Cuticura Soap, and used Cuticura Ointment and Resolvent, it changed wonderfully. From that day I was able to go out, and in a month the treatment had removed all scales and scabs, and my face was as clear as ever. (signed) T. J. Soth, 327 Stagg Street, Brooklyn, N. Y."

THE ORIGINAL WILSON BROS.

"WIVES WANTED"

TO ANNEX I will undertake with Boston girls to look Wilson Bros. original and only owners of the old firm of Wilson Bros., Jewelers, Chicago, who are interested in Wilson's Haircut $5. store, or what was once their big store on Tremont row; go across the street now, on the same block and near the big tea kettle, 96 Court st. Old customers tell our friends.

ADVERTISE YOUR WANTS IN THE BOSTON AMERICAN

ALL CANDIDATES CONFIDENT AS CAMPAIGN ENDS

Whirlwind Windup To-night of Most Bitter Mayoralty Contest on Record.

WATCH FOR REPEATERS

The most exciting and bitterly contested mayoralty campaign which Boston has ever known ends to-night, with the four candidates in the field and the friends of each claiming victory.

John F. Fitzgerald made twenty three speeches yesterday and denied charges made against his integrity. He accused Louis A. Frothingham, Republican candidate, of resorting to arouse religious prejudice to gain votes.

Mr. Frothingham said that he believed public sentiment is against political meetings on Sunday.

James A. Watson, independent candidate, says that he will win, and have a plurality of at least 2,000.

Political managers believe that 90,000 or more votes will be polled. Fred C. Gillespatric, Fitzgerald campaign manager, says that quick measures will be taken to prevent at the polls to-morrow the attempts at repeating which he says have been planned.

The campaign will close with the many meetings to be held in different parts of the city to-day and to-night.

FITZGERALD MAKES 23 SPEECHES AT SUNDAY RALLIES

John F. Fitzgerald, Democratic candidate for Mayor, made twenty three speeches yesterday during his tour of the city and it is estimated by his managers that 10,000 citizens heard him speak.

His biggest rally was a part of the concert concert at the Majestic Theatre, held under the auspices of the Hendricks Democratic Club. Former Representative Samuel H. Borders presided. Among the speakers were Former Mayor Josiah Quincy, Street Commissioner James A. Gallivan, Thomas A. Mullen, W. F. A. Fitzgerald, Former Senator T. H. Bond, Edward J. Logan and Isaac Rosenberg.

John F. Fitzgerald said: "My opponents have attempted to use the name of religion as a catspaw for the miserable purpose of catching votes. Mr. Frothingham says his own signature makes a false appeal to all men who are loyal to my political fight.

"A certain discredited Democrat has tried slander, vote and candle. This man has contrived to charge me with every crime in the calendar from thievery to murder. I brand his senseless statements as lies."

In Charlestown, Mr. Fitzgerald visited the headquarters of the George H. Monroe Club, Leader Monahan, who supported Edward J. Donovan in the primaries, said he was responsible for 1,500 votes polled for the latter, and would not be disappointed if Mr. Fitzgerald got 6,000 in Charlestown.

Mr. Fitzgerald visited the Bachelor Club at No. 282 Dudley street, Union Hall, Dorchester Lower Mills, Cedrick Social Club, must Station, Dorchester; Precinct 1 Democratic Club, Field's Corner; Preston Allerton Club, No. 175 Northampton street; Dexter Hall, Wells Memorial Building; the Bowdoin Theatre meeting, the Concord Club on Concord street; Spelman Hall, South Boston, Brookline Hall, Tremont and Albany streets. He also visited Brighton and ended the day with party managers in the Quincy House.

POLITICAL ADVERTISEMENTS. POLITICAL ADVERTISEMENTS.

Vote for **5** From These

For School Board

THREE YEAR TERM:
(Choose two from these three)
JOHN A. BRETT, Dem.
GEORGE E. BROCK, Rep.
JAMES J. STORROW, Rep., Dem.

TWO YEAR TERM:
(Vote for these two only)
THOMAS J. KENNY, Rep., Dem.
WILLIAM S. KENNY, Rep., Dem.

ONE YEAR TERM:
(Choose one from these two)
DAVID X. COUGHLAN, Dem.
DAVID A. ELLIS, Rep.

Citizens Union
JOSEPH J. LEONARD, Secretary.

One Woman For School Committee

VOTE FOR

Julia E. Duff

True Friend of the Home and School

Mayoralty Candidates All Say They Will Win

The Democratic party is united. The only question is as to what our plurality will be.—*John F. Fitzgerald.*

I will win because the people of the city of Boston want a decent city government.—*Louis A. Frothingham.*

Dewey will be the next Mayor of Boston. There will be a surprise for the bosses Tuesday.—*Henry S. Dewey.*

I will receive at least 29,000 votes, a plurality over all other candidates of 2,000 votes.—*James A. Watson.*

HEIRS TO FIGHT FOR MILLIONS

WORCESTER, Dec. 11.—The $10,000,000 will of the late Stephen Salisbury is to be contested by five first cousins, Samuel Hildreth Hubbard, Benjamin West Hubbard, Henry Scott Hubbard, Eleanor G. Hubbard and Nathalie Dean Hubbard. All live at Forest Depot, Va. Under the will they get $5,000 each.

Haverhill relatives are also seeking to secure more of the aged millionaire's estate.

Mr. Salisbury left nearly his entire estate to educational institutions and to the furtherance of art.

The only individual to be bequeathed any large amount was a widow whom he had been well acquainted with for years.

'GOO-GOO EYES' LEAD TO JAIL

CHICAGO, Dec. 11.—Alleging that he was kidnaped from his room in a hotel here by constables and lodged in jail until relatives arrived from New York to give bonds for him, C. J. West, scion of a wealthy family in the East, is willing to admit that flirting in Chicago is rather costly.

It is charged that West made "goo-goo eyes" and otherwise attempted to flirt with Miss Elizabeth Curry, eighteen years old, greatly to her distress and mortification. He is said to have complimented her on her "piercing black eyes," and as there is a rigorous campaign on in this city against "mashers," prompt vengeance was visited on him on her complaint.

POLITICAL ADVERTISEMENT. POLITICAL ADVERTISEMENT.

BE SURE TO VOTE

TUESDAY, DEC. 12.

Mark your ballot as this ballot is marked.

The interests of your children depend upon it.

For SCHOOL COMMITTEE. (Three Years) Vote for Two

JOHN A. BRETT 4 LAUREL ST.	DEMOCRATIC	
GEORGE E. BROCK 68 SURREY ST.	PUBLIC SCHOOL ASSOCIATION, REPUBLICAN	X
JOHN EILLS 699 HUNTINGTON AVE.	SOCIALIST	
BERTHA S. HALL 259 WESTVILLE ST.	SOCIALIST	
DANIEL S. HARKINS 801 COLUMBIA ROAD	DEMOCRATIC CITIZENS NOM. PAPER	
JOHN H. KENNEALY 708 PARKER ST.	DEMOCRATIC CITIZENS NOM. PAPER	
JAMES J. STORROW 417 BEACON ST.	REPUBLICAN, PUBLIC SCHOOL ASSOCIATION DEMOCRATIC	X
JOSEPH M. SULLIVAN 18 ATHERTON ST.	DEMOCRATIC CITIZENS NOM. PAPER	

For SCHOOL COMMITTEE. (Two Years) Vote for Two

RUDOLPH APPEL 789 SHAWMUT AVE.	SOCIALIST	
JULIA E. DUFF 5 DEXTER ROW	DEMOCRATIC CITIZENS NOM. PAPER	
THOMAS J. KENNY 296 WEST FIFTH ST.	REPUBLICAN, DEMOCRATIC	X
WILLIAM S. KENNY 100 MERIDIAN ST.	REPUBLICAN, DEMOCRATIC	X
ANTOINETTE F. KONIKOW 330 SHAWMUT AVE.	SOCIALIST	

For SCHOOL COMMITTEE. (One Year) Vote for One

DAVID X. COUGHLAN 55 OLNEY ST.	DEMOCRATIC	
DAVID A. ELLIS 82 HAROLD ST.	REPUBLICAN, PUBLIC SCHOOL ASSOCIATION	X
LOUIS BONNABENO 42 LYNDE ST.	DEMOCRATIC CITIZENS NOM. PAPER	

Observe that Thomas J. Kenny and William S. Kenny have the Public School Association endorsement, but "Public School Association" will not appear on the ballot after their names.

VOTE FOR **BOTH** KENNYS.

TAKE THIS SPECIMEN BALLOT WITH YOU TO THE VOTING BOOTH.

Public School Association

POLITICAL ADVERTISEMENT. POLITICAL ADVERTISEMENT. POLITICAL ADVERTISEMENT. POLITICAL ADVERTISEMENT. POLITICAL ADVERTISEMENT. POLITICAL ADVERTISEMENT. POLITICAL ADVERTISEMENT.

$100 REWARD

Will be paid for the Detection, Arrest and Conviction in Any Court of Any Person Voting or Attempting to Vote on the Name of Another at the City Election on December 12, 1905.

Frothingham Campaign Committee.

CITIZENS OF BOSTON

Tomorrow You Must Elect a Mayor of Boston. It Is the Most Important Office in New England. You Must Choose Between Two Men.

ON THE ONE HAND

A Man of Whom Patrick A. Collins Said:

"The election of John F. Fitzgerald as Mayor would be a public calamity. I believe before his administration was over that he would bring shame and disgrace upon our city and upon us, who are of his party, creed and race."

Of Whom Congressman John A. Sullivan Said Before the Democratic Primaries:

"He Is Unfit to be Mayor."

Of Whom the Boston Traveler Said Editorially Oct. 24, 1905:

"Mr. Fitzgerald is without the dignity or force to warrant the belief that he would fill acceptably the position he seeks, and if elected Mayor would be wholly tied down by his own environment."

Of Whom the Boston Post Said Editorially Nov. 13, 1905:

(Referring to the contest for the Democratic nomination.) "If a small percentage of the charges on each side is to be credited, neither candidate has the remotest qualifications for the distinguished office which is at stake."

ON THE OTHER HAND

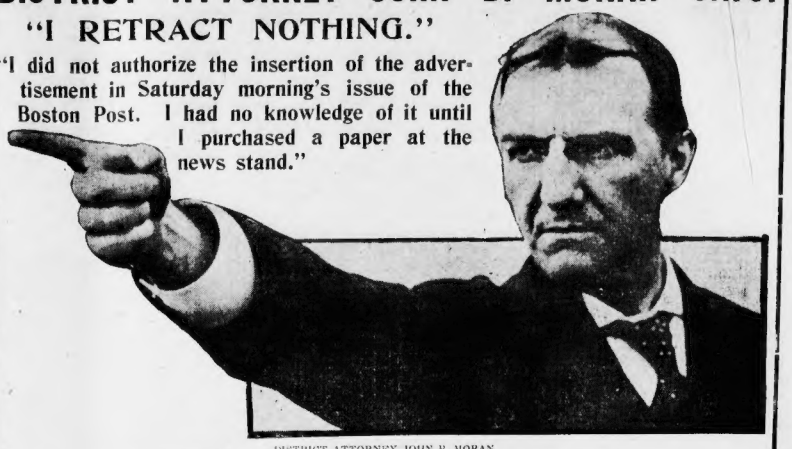
A man who has held high public office for five years and against whose honesty and character not one word of criticism has been uttered in this campaign.

VOTE FOR FROTHINGHAM

DISTRICT ATTORNEY JOHN B. MORAN SAYS:

"I RETRACT NOTHING."

"I did not authorize the insertion of the advertisement in Saturday morning's issue of the Boston Post. I had no knowledge of it until I purchased a paper at the news stand."



DISTRICT ATTORNEY JOHN B. MORAN.

(Extract from Letter of John B. Moran to the Boston Post, Oct. 31, 1896.)

. . . . . .

I believe that many of the free silver advocates have no confidence in the free silver cause and are advocating it merely for political advancement.

I believe that John F. Fitzgerald, candidate for Congress in the ninth district, is such a man. I believe that he is a demagogue. I believe that William Jennings Bryan had such men as Fitzgerald in his mind when at Chicago, Sept. 27, 1896 (See New York Journal, free silver Bryan paper, of Oct. 28, 1896), he said: "A demagogue is a man who advocates a thing which he does not believe, in order to conciliate those who differ from him. A demagogue is a man who is willing to advocate any thing, whether he believes it or not, which will be anyantageous to him.

I believe that such a man is a living lie. . . . . .

I believe that every man who supports Fitzgerald's cause thereby approves of his conduct and merits the same contempt which such an office seeker deserves.

I believe that the greater portion of our citizens favoring free silver are honest. I believe that in their honesty they will rise in indignant and justifiable anger, and by their votes condemn the vile hypocrisy of the candidate who seeks by the prostitution of his own conscience to deceive people and obtain votes.

I believe that the candidate who stultifies himself to such an extent as to pretend to believe what he does not believe, who seeks to obtain votes by the moral cowardice of hypocritical utterances, sells his own integrity and conscience for the salary of the office which he seeks.

I believe that the man who would sell his conscience and agree to act, speak and vote for free silver for two full years in Congress when he does not believe in it, all for the two years' salary of $10,000, would be tempted to sell his vote after election to any purchasing agent of Wall street, and vote against the wishes of those who elected him. I believe that a man who is false to his own opinions and votes and speaks contrary to the dictates of his conscience can never be trusted to be true to himself or others. . . . . .

I believe that he (Fitzgerald) no longer is entitled to the term "honorable," and that he recognized its inappropriateness when he, at a recent rally in his own ward, retracting his utterances of July 4, dubbed himself "little Johnny Fitz," and pledged his allegiance to the silver cause.

Interview With John B. Moran, Dec. 10, 1905.

Q. Mr. Moran, do you wish to say anything about your letter of Oct. 31, 1896, to the Boston Post concerning John F. Fitzgerald and his fitness for public office?

A. I do not recall what I said in any letter I wrote that year.

Q. Is your opinion of him the same today as expressed by you in that letter?

A. Not being able to recall what, if anything, I said in the letter referred to, I cannot reply to your second question. I am not in politics now and would not reply even if I recalled the letter or its contents.

Q. Do you wish to retract anything you wrote in that letter?

I RETRACT NOTHING.

Moran Denounces Frothingham

As the enemy of the Common People and

The Tool of Corporations

In his campaign for District Attorney he said that the Speaker of the House had stacked a committee against Public Ownership Bills, and that the Speaker was an enemy of the Common People and the tool of Corporations.

Because of this brave stand of Moran's Frothingham and his friend Burdett (the Electric Light Co.'s legislative agent) threw the Ward 11 vote against Moran by 1600 majority.

It was the only ward in Boston that did not indorse the District Attorney.

Frothingham is misquoting Moran today and publishing Moran's picture.

He is eating crow.

Wait until the new Grand Jury comes in in January and see what Moran will do to Ward 11.

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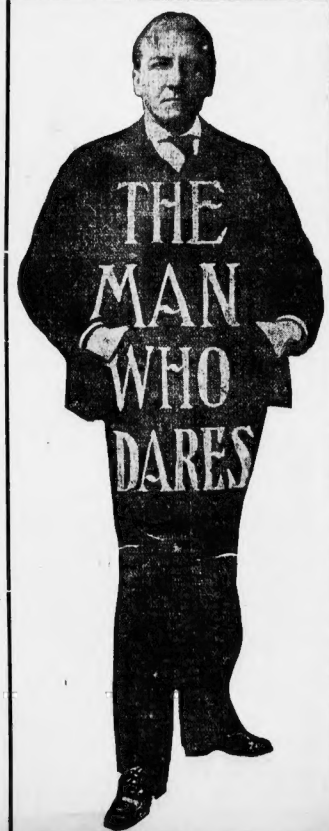

Judge a Candidate by His Record

Hon. John F. Fitzgerald has a long record in legislative office; he has gone through the fiercest campaign ever waged in Boston, yet no word of criticism has been uttered upon his official record. This is a remarkable tribute to the soundness of Mr. Fitzgerald's public career and to his eminent fitness for the office of Mayor. While a target for mud slingers, he has himself conducted a clean campaign.

VOTE FOR

John F. Fitzgerald

TOMORROW

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VOTE FOR

Fred J. Kneeland

(Member of Painters' Union 11)

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Should Be the Mayor of All the People

He should be a man who as a candidate was above appealing to race or creed or sect.

A man whose campaign was clean

He should be a man whose election will mean ***Lower Taxes,*** better streets, the commercial and industrial advancement of Boston, the escape of Boston from the boss and corporation control which has disgraced Philadelphia, St. Louis and New York.

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I stand pledged to the Democratic Party and the people of Boston on this, my platform. To it I will be true. On this, the eve of your, the People's victory, which even the Republican Press now admits is assured, I thank you one and all for your loyal support.

JOHN F. FITZGERALD

FITZGERALD MAKES GOOD

Fitzgerald's Record

Common Council 1892, Mass. Senate 1893-1894, U. S. Congress 1895-1901.

Voted for five cent fares and free transfers.
Voted for eight-hour day.
Voted for bill in favor of ten hours in twelve for railroad employes introduced and fought to success by him.
Voted for bill to heat street cars.
Voted for bill making mileage books good on all railroads in the State.
Voted for bill for one day in seven for firemen.
Voted for anti-stock watering bill, which was bitterly opposed by the corporations.
Voted for bill for labelling of goods manufactured in prison.
Voted for bill establishing the initiative and referendum to bring back the lawmaking power to the people.
Voted for the bill compelling railroad corporations increasing capital stock to obtain first the consent of the railroad commissioners.
Voted for bill taxing legacies and successions.
Voted for the employer's liability bill, giving damages to the injured victims of negligence.
Voted for bill for the purchase of gas and electric light plants by cities and towns—the municipalization of public utilities.
Voted against bill permitting the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company to control the Massachusetts companies.
Voted for the appointment of steam railroad inspectors in the interest of safety for the traveling public and employes.
Voted for bill to apply the referendum to the Boston Elevated Railroad Company's franchise.
Voted against the Bell Telephone grab, and was enrolled on the Boston Post's roll of honor.

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Lower Taxes

Boston for Bostonians

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The Escape of Boston from the Bosses' Yoke

The Control of the People by Private and Corporate Interests Will Cease

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Graft will be Exposed

The Interests of the Wage-earner will be Protected

I will Enter Office Unhampered by any Strings, Trades or Pledges

A Fair and Square Deal for Everybody

Frothingham Says:

He would not change a single one of the votes in his published record. He dare not. He is owned by the corporations and controlled by them against the people.

Frothingham's Record

He voted against hospital for consumptives.
He voted against tax on direct inheritance.
He voted against bill for reducing hours of labor for women and minors.
He voted against free text books and school supplies for the pupils of the public schools.
He voted against day labor on public buildings.
He voted against bills submitting to the voters of the Commonwealth amendments to the constitution.
He voted against reduction of rates of fares on railroads in and out of Boston.
He voted against bill allowing one day off in eight for the firemen.
He voted against eight-hour day.
He voted against purchase of gas and electric light plants.
He voted against bill regulating food adulterations.
He voted against bill increasing number of brakemen railroad companies should have.
He voted against two-cent-a-mile bill on all railroads in the Commonwealth.
He voted against popular election of United States Senators.
He voted against bill to allow peaceful communication with applicants for positions during strikes.
He voted against provision to insure laborers living wages in the construction of tunnels and subways in Boston.
He voted against referendum on municipal franchises and locations.

THAT'S FROTHINGHAM

LABOR NEWS

TRADES PRINTING LABOR COUNCIL '96 BOSTON MASS

Steps toward the formation of a New England District Council of Sheet Metal Workers were taken at a conference of twenty-six delegates from Boston, Springfield, Providence, Holyoke, Lynn, Salem, Quincy, New Bedford and Hartford yesterday in Castle Square Hall.

A committee, comprising one member from each local, was appointed to draw up a temporary constitution to be submitted to all the locals in the New England States for a referendum vote. The committee was as follows: Dearden, Springfield; Coombs, Providence; Hendricks, Holyoke; Brennan, Lynn; Waters, Quincy; Gran, Brockton; Ingle, New Bedford; Bradford, Hartford.

Third International Vice-President John H. Winnekl presided. Grand Organizer P. J. Downey of Kansas City, who is here for a few weeks' organizing tour of the New England States, asked the co-operation of the delegates in his work. Organizer Downey anticipates forming locals in Worcester, Fall River, Lowell and other cities. An address was also made by Business Agent John P. Kennedy of Boston Sheet Metal Workers' Union No. 17. It was voted to hold the next conference the last Sunday in January at Providence.

POLITICAL ADVERTISEMENT.

WAGE EARNERS FOR KNEELAND.

Placed in the field as a candidate for Aldermen by the Wage Earners' Club, composed of prominent labor men, Fred J. Kneeland has received the hearty indorsement of all the trades unions of the city.

For twenty years Mr. Kneeland has given his services freely to labor, and especially to that of the painters, of whose organization he is a member. He was president of the International Brotherhood of Painters, Decorators and Paperhangers, and when that organization amalgamated with the International Painters' Union he was one of the chief advocates of that consolidation. For the past year he has been New England district organizer of the International Union of the quadrennial convention of that body, now in session at Memphis, Tenn. He is a delegate from Boston Local Union No. 11. He has also been president of the Boston Central Labor Union and Boston Building Trades Council.

In 1903 he was defeated in the Democratic caucuses for nomination for Board of Aldermen, but ran as an independent and was elected. Last year he was nominated at the Democratic caucuses for the Board of Aldermen, but failed of election. This year he has been nominated to his district for the Board.

FOR LABOR LEGISLATION.

The Building Trades Council, at yesterday's meeting, pledged itself to vote against every candidate for the State Senate or House who opposes the following bills to provide for legislation directly by the people, through the initiative and referendum; the eight hour bill for public employes, the overtime bill and the picketing bill. This action was taken at the instance of the legislative committee of the State branch, American Federation of Labor.

The special committee which met a committee from the Structural building Trades Alliance, under the auspices of the Central Labor Union executive board, to discuss whether the Central Labor Union should recognize the card of the Alliance, reported progress. It was voted to ask the Central Labor Union to appoint a committee to confer with a committee from the Building Trades Council to take steps toward the formation of a building trades section of the Central Labor Union.

Fred J. Kneeland, of Painters' Union No. 11, was indorsed as a trades union candidate for Alderman.

POLITICAL ADVERTISEMENT.

The Same Old Anderson

Mr. George W. Anderson says that the Hon. John F. Fitzgerald shouldn't be elected Mayor of Boston. Mr. Anderson's attitude surprises no one. He is the same Anderson who in the Atlantic Monthly of April, 1901, wrote these words:

"Catholics are found working and voting for persons and measures that they are privately heartily ashamed of, simply because they dare not or will not be found opposing the most illegitimate and preposterous claims of one of their own race and creed.

If there is a vacancy for a teacher and a Catholic presents himself or herself for the position, it may as well be assumed that every one of this race and creed on the board will support his or her candidacy as against a whole army of candidates infinitely better fit for the duties of the position."

The Leopard Cannot Change His Spots

CANDIDATE HAS NARROW ESCAPE

While on his way to speak at the South Boston Yacht Club Hon. John. F. Fitzgerald had a narrow escape from a plunge in the cold waters of South Boston bay.

Mr. Fitzgerald was in an automobile and the chauffeur had made a fast run past the club house in the darkness. He heard the waters of the bay wheg at the extreme end of the boulevard. He shut off the power, jammed on the brakes and changed the course of the machine just in time. A little more and the candidate for Mayor would have been overboard.

When the auto came to a sudden standstill Mr. Fitzgerald was thrown in a heap in the bottom of the car, but he recovered in ample time to keep his engagement at the club.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Suffolk, ss. To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of Margaret A. Smith, late of Boston, in said County of Suffolk, intestate, leaving certain real estate in said County of Suffolk, entered, and not leaving a known husband or heir of the whole blood, deceased. WHEREAS, Petition has been presented to said Court by Fred Joseph Smith, administration on the estate of said deceased to Fred Joseph Smith, of Boston, in said County of Suffolk. You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Boston, in said County of Suffolk, on the fourteenth day of December, A. D. 1905, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted. And the said petitioner is ordered to serve this citation by delivering or mailing it, postpaid, to all persons interested, or by publishing the citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Boston American, a newspaper published in said County of Suffolk, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court. Witness, John W. Mckay, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twenty-eighth day of November, in the year one thousand nine hundred and five. ELIJAH GEORGE, Register.

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TWO FAMILY HOUSE, 7 and 7 bath rooms, 2 furnaces, 2 ranges, everything separate, newly painted, in fine condition throughout; 10 minutes, price $5,800, $1,000 down. EDWARD T. HARRINGTON & CO., 203 Washington.

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INVESTMENT—For sale, South End, near Dartmouth st., house, well rented and earning 12 per cent; can be handled on easy terms. FRED'K W. HOBBS, 23 Court st.

FOR SALE or exchange—5-story corner house, well adapted for flats; 2 stores and 10 tenements, on best part of Columbus av. FRED'K W. HOBBS, 23 Court st.

COZY HOUSE to let, 3 spring-st., cl. off Spring st., Wood Island park, East Boston; newly painted, rent low; save car fares. FRED'K W. HOBBS, 23 Court st.

LOW RENT—$2 per week, suite of 3 rooms, at 263 Silver st., So. Boston, one block from electric cars; in good order; 2 flights up; about 23 Court st.

LARGE ARCHARD for life money, 84 acres, only $800; half cash; 34 acres good tillage land, 50 acres pasture and wood; house, 8 rooms, with parlor, fruit and good water. 7 room cottage, painted, large shed free, new cow barn, other stable, poultry, wood and tool buildings; this sale is strong attraction; good markets. JOSIAH F. PRESCOTT, 200 Washington st.

ON TROLLEY LINE, nickel fare to city of 10,000; cooperage for all sizes; price of land, about 30 bearing fruit trees, 3-room cottage, freshly papered and painted, small stable and outbuildings; desirable neighbors, easy to school, church and depot; only $250, cash or terms. JOSIAH F. PRESCOTT, 200 Washington st.

TWO-FAMILY HOUSE, 14 rooms, 2 baths, laundry and 2 toilets, 2 hot water heaters for 14 rooms; 2 minutes from electric street, grandchild rents for $14 a week; price $3,000, $1,000 cash; walks; price will bring 6 per cent. JOSIAH F. PRESCOTT, 200 Washington st.

BRAND NEW 2-apt. house, 18 rooms, ample closet room, finished throughout with best materials; investigation invited; right up to date and the very best of conveniences could possibly be had; $6,000; $1,000 down, balance on easy terms. E. S. BOWERS, Ashmont and Milton cars pass the door.

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PROPOSALS.

CITY OF BOSTON—TO CONTRACTORS—Proposals will be received by the City of Boston at office City Hall, until noon, for building a brick sewer on Dartmouth street, from Boylston street, Brook avenue, and Brunswick avenue place, to connect with the sewer in the road of the Boston Consumptive Hospital, as shown on plan and profile on file in the office of the City Engineer, Room 21, City Hall. Plans and specifications may be obtained by the bidder and left at said office before 12 m. on Dec. 14, 1905, when they must be returned with a certified check for 2 per cent of the amount of the bid, payable to the city of Boston, which will be forfeited to the city if the proposal is not carried out, as stated in the bond required. Bids will be opened and read. The undersigned reserves the right to give preference to the proposals or bidders agreeing to pay the trades' union rates of wages, and the right to reject any or all proposals. The proposals should be inclosed in an envelope, sealed and marked "Proposals for Dartmouth Street Sewer." JAMES DONOVAN, Superintendent of Streets. Boston, December 9, 1905.

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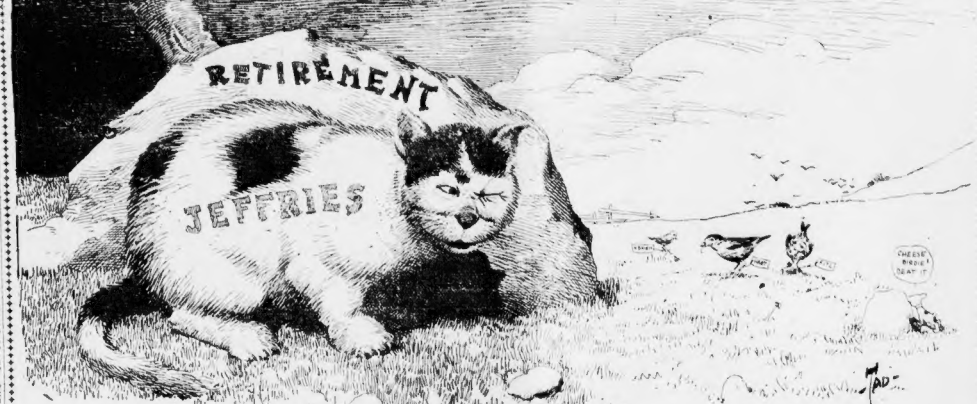

BRITT MAY SOON MEET "CORBETT"

BUFFALO, Dec. 11.—James Edward Britt has yet to be outdone by his two rivals. Battling Nelson and Terry McGovern. Now that Jimmy stands fifty chances of facing either of his foes in the roped arena before early spring, he has turned his attention to other plums in the lightweight realm.

Yesterday Willie Britt wired his fighting brother here that a match with "Young Corbett" was offered by the Los Angeles club, the battle to be fought about January 10. Scarcely had he read the telegram before Jimmy was at the telegraph office, urging Willie to close the match. Later in the day Britt received another telegram, offering him a battle with Willie Fitzpatrick in San Francisco during the latter part of the last week in January. Jimmy also wired his acceptance.

"They can't come too fast to suit me now," said Jimmy to-day. "I'm through with the stage. I leave soon for New York. I'll spend at least three weeks in the Eastern metropolis. I want to have one fight, and possibly two, before going out to the east to fight Corbett. I have been training daily since I left home. Every day I worked at least an hour in the gymnasium. I didn't propose to throw away my speed and stamina while following the stage. I boxed six rounds at the theatre daily in addition to my gym work, and the result is that I am almost ready to jump into the ring now and fight. Yesterday I weighed exactly 136 pounds. I feel great. I can get going and do a lot of fighting before the snow here fades.

Britt with a party of friends spent the day at Niagara Falls. It was Jimmy's first peep at the wonderful cataract. He said the sight was worth traveling from the coast to see. Britt says that he is going to send his father and mother here to see the whirlpool rapids and the falls.

FRED TENNEY WILL MANAGE HUBITES AGAIN

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—At the Hotel Victoria to-morrow the National League clubs will throw a most interesting, perhaps the most important work of the week will be the election of a president. It is expected now that Harry Pulliam will succeed himself without opposition.

The sale of the Boston club has finally fallen through, and it is probable that it will continue indefinitely under its old management. Fred Tenney will again manage the team in 1906, will be in New York this week to make just as many trades as possible.

The championship will be awarded to the New York club, and the latter will also be notified through the National League that they are accepted world's champion. The pennant, typical of the championship, will be given to the team some time next Spring.

RICHARDSON CAPTAIN.

Charles E. Richardson, fullback of the Winchester High School team, has been elected captain of the team for next year. Richardson is an all-round athletic, playing on the ball team, and is captain of the hockey team.

HIS VARIOUS CRITICS SAY THAT DAILY HARD TRAINING STUNTS FOR O'BRIEN BOUT ARE WEAKENING HIM, IF SO

BOB FITZ PUTS UP A GOOD BLUFF

BY W. W. NAUGHTON.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 11.—Queries are coming to hand now from Tuxpuor, Veritas and other obstinacy of the world of sport. They have heard that there is a discussion in progress as to the first Queensbury champion, and some of them want to help straighten out matters by quoting from their scrap books.

One of my correspondents is quite agitated because he has discovered that a veteran critic, who just at present argues that Jeffries was the first indoor champion, has stultified himself.

"I can show you," says the correspondent, "that just before the Fitzsimmons-Corbett fight at Carson he went to his paper the following words:

"The winner will have a clear title to the world's heavyweight championship, and that is itself worth a fortune."

"To Mr. Correspondent I will say: What's the difference? A critic has as much right to change his mind or his tune—as a newspaper or a political writer. In pugilism as it is constituted to-day, it isn't what one critic thinks—or what a dozen think—that establishes a claim to pre-eminence.

Held Smith a Champion.

A critic of my acquaintance once held that "Denver Ed" Smith was the really true champion of Australia because he knocked out Joe Goddard, who "bested" Peter Jackson in Melbourne.

Another expert that Fitzsimmons did not relieve Jack Dempsey of the American end of the middle weight championship at New Orleans, for the reason that Tom Maguire, the Marine, had already defeated Dempsey.

As a matter of fact, the records are in such shape that much and every critic, whether auto-didact or otherwise, can pick his own champion and find an argument that will make the claim look good.

So it will be until such time as a champion has something tangible to show for his work in the ring.

Won't some philanthropist please donate a pugilistic Aquarius's cup?

Reverting to the original discussion and at the same time replying to a few inquiries, I will say that to my opinion there never was a man better entitled than Jim Corbett to call himself the first Queensbury champion.

Corbett closed the reign of Peter Jackson when the famous nigger was at his best. He defeated Kilrain, who boxed a draw with English Jem Smith for "The Champion ship." He defeated English Charley Mitchell, who fought a draw with John L. Sullivan, for "The Championship," and he also defeated John L. Sullivan in a battle which the articles of agreement expressly stated should be for the world's championship.

Fitz on the Sprint.

Bob Fitzsimmons seems to be standing up well under training, regardless of average severity. We have ample evidence that Bob covers from six to ten miles on the road every day, and he does quite a lot of sprinting on the return trip.

As for his afternoon programme, there is not the slightest chance for deception. Fitz punches the bag for from five to ten rounds and spars all the way from six to ten rounds with his partners, Harry Chesbro and Billy Bates. So far the Cornishman has got completed of sore hands or blistered feet, and the brisk character of his indoor work is the best assurance that he has no weak spots which he is trying to cover up.

Some critics have said that Fitz is very much exhausted after his road work each day. The fact that he does not go in for "pulling and hauling" with either of his training partners is also cited as proof that the freckled one feels none too strong. Other circumstances are pointed to by those who are advancing the argument that Bob is too old to give a satisfactory account of himself in a long engagement.

Fitz attributes all those reports of physical weakness to persons who are trying to "knock" him. He says that his training is agreeing with him, and that his condition is himself unbeatable.

Just what Fitz's feelings are at the close of a hard day's work is known only to Fitz himself probably, but if the grind is proving a terrible strain for him, it must be said that he puts up "a magnificent bluff."

Kilrainish While Boxing.

While boxing he is as Kilrainish as ever, and when his face flushes and his muscles become limber in the heat of glove play he looms up like the Fitz of eight years ago.

His sparring partners say that his punches are not losing weight with the gathering years, and everyone remarks that the Fitz left has many be getting slightly weakened the Fitz shoulders are as formidable looking as ever.

The specialty of Fitz and O'Brien eating at the same table is causing entertainment the other evening caused eyes to bulge and tongues to wag. O'Brien subsequently explained the incident without embarrassment, however.

It appears that O'Brien, who is still suffering from a sore chin, came into town to see his doctor. Fitz came across the line to attend the performance of the "Colonel" at the Columbia theatre and found the rival fighters met in the grub emporium. O'Brien, who was seated when Fitz entered, beckoned the Cornishman to his table and there they sat and piled their knives and forks and tried to drown from talking shop. By the time Fitz was ready to go to the theatre the interpreters had settled around them. "Nothing to it but a casual meeting and a little sizing up," said O'Brien when Fitz had departed. "What were the results of your cogitations?" Jack was asked.

Confident He'll Beat Fitz.

"The more I see of him the more confident I am that I can defeat him."

When asked for his side of it, Fitz said: "I just thought I'd be nice to Jack while I have the chance. I'll have to treat him roughly when I get him into the ring."

As yet nothing definite in the way of pugilistic engagement is looming up beyond the Fitz-O'Brien affair. It is believed that Joe Gans and Mike (Twin) Sullivan will be matched for January.

"Honey" Melody is here, and is trying to lure Mike Sullivan into a bout for the welterweight championship, but Mike hasn't said anything in reply as yet.

If what Manager Friedman says is offered, there will be no Fitz-Hart contest in the event of Fitz defeating O'Brien. Friedman declares that the "go" on September 30 with Fitz's "farewell appearance" in the prize ring.

JEFF CAN'T QUIT NOW, SAYS TAD

BY TAD.

Jeff's little chap the other day about his retiring forever gave me fits.

He said I never

Jeff is a fighter. He loves to fight, that is, after he is in the ring, and he also loves money.

It's just as Jim Coffroth says. Just as soon as I can get the sun and show Jeff the roll of frogs' skins he'll be there like old Trinity with the ding-a-ling.

It's just a game of self with the big fellow, that's all. He knows that if he rolls over and plays dead awhile that someone will come up who will be as boosted like Sunny Jim and demand a fight. Don't think that he will refuse. Jeff is a fighter, and he can't get right out of his system even in a dream room.

Caesar Attell's Mistake.

Abe Attell has a brother named Caesar who was a business man and turned fighter, but Caesar never got the fatalness out of his head. He used to run a hock shop in Frisco, and he had the three big gold balls up over the door for quite a few years before he turned fighter. One night in Oakland Caesar was to fight a preliminary. Billy Lavigne came in the dressing room, where Caesar was shedding his raiment, and remarked that he was up against it, as he had to meet Joe Gans in the show. "All we have, said Billy (who, by the way, is a brother of George) Lavigne, both sons of old man Lavigne, "is a teacher's bell that kids hear in school, and wish I knew where I could get a nice big gong cheap."

"Oh," yelled Caesar, who had the ears up like a rabbit he didn't know, "I have a swell gong down at the shore, Bill. I'll set you have it for three dollars."

"That's too much," cried Lavigne. "I'll give you two dollars and a half and call the deal closed."

"Nope," replied Caesar; "nothing doing; this is a peach of a gong, and I'll sell it for three dollars or nothing."

"Why, I can get a new one for three," said Bill.

"Well, I don't care," said Caesar, "this is as good as new. Just then the door opened and the master of ceremonies slipped his head in and called: "Hurry up, Attell, we are waiting for you in the ring. You are going first or not at all." "I'll be right there in a second," said Caesar.

Abe's brother beat it out of the room, while Lavigne stayed there wondering about his bell.

Got a Prize Beating.

Poor Caesar; of all the beatings a man ever got, he sure handed the prize one. This time he fought just beat the lining out of him, put him down five times, closed one of his eyes and had his nose pushed sideward like on the jaw so hard that even after the ten had been counted poor Caesar was still in the ring and Nelson had to hold him up while the referee counted. Caesar was still showed signs of coming to.

Suddenly he seemed to his hand, got up on his elbow, squinted his eyes, and, seeing Lavigne, said:

"Say, Bill, what about the gong?"

You see, Caesar had the beating in his block, and couldn't lose it. Jeff has fight in his, and as long as he can pull his legs after him in a ring he will scrap.

FRED TENNEY WILL MANAGE HUBITES AGAIN

BIKE RIDERS RECEIVE THEIR PRIZES TODAY

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—Nearly all of the six-day riders visited Madison Square Garden some time yesterday to receive personal effects which were left in the building after the finish of the contest on Saturday night. The majority of them spent the night in Hoboken at the Turnmelts and all those who were in at the finish were on hand yesterday at either the Barbodell Hotel or the Putnam House, their headquarters during the week's stay, absence, and he went to a hospital to have his knees fixed up, as they bothered him greatly after the race was over.

Tommy Hall, who sat in the Barbodell loser with his arm in a sling, said that Trousseter and Goulds were still in bed nursing their broken ribs, but that they would be able to accompany the others when the foreign party sails on La Savoie next Saturday.

Both Root and Fogler declared that they felt fine, and would be better than ever so quickly as they made up for about an hour last sleep. Root said that he had been very confident of winning from the time his team got up on even terms with the Rodell brothers. He was certain that he would be able to defeat John Rodell, and that was the reason why he did not unwind his sprint until the last half lap. The Rodell brothers mingled with the others and were in fairly good condition, except that John Rodell was in considerable pain by the stiffness in his knees, which gave Root such a handicap in the last five-mile run-off for first prize. They will receive their prizes to-day.

FEEL LOSS OF TIGER GAME

The announcement of the break between Harvard and Princeton in baseball has not been hailed with a great deal of joy at Harvard. Many students have come to regard the Princeton game as a close second to the Yale contest in the baseball season and had hoped to see a series of three games arranged in place of the two. Just why the Crimson management stuck to two games or none is not known. Though the rivalry between Harvard and Princeton on the diamond never the past two years has been very keen, somewhat too keen at times, notably at the game played at Princeton two years ago, Harvard men in large part desire a closer relation with the New Jersey college than an abolishment of the present relations.

EXPERTS MEET AGAIN FRIDAY TO REFORM FOOTBALL

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 11.—When the football rules committeemen adjourned on account of darkness last night, they did not agree again next Friday night. The date for the next meetings more distant than the committee would have liked, was set in order to give the newly appointed Harvard committee time to get together, and Bill Reid, the Crimson's representative on the rules committee, a chance to learn what Harvard's views are.

As already stated in the report of the meeting last Saturday night, the committee committed itself to favoring a more open game, greater penalties for offences, no brutality and more control and appointment of officials for the games by a duly authorized body. This is the first time in the history of the committee that such a frank statement has been issued prior to definite action being taken.

Bell of Pennsylvania and Camp of Yale were the first to come forward and speak out for publication. Neither hesitated to say what he stood for and advocated. Dennis of Cornell was also quick to respond, but the rules were more reticent about going on public record. However, Stagg of Chicago commented, and he did the way for Fine of Princeton and Dashiell of Annapolis. After all had spoken it was seen that they were not very wide apart in their ideas.

The real hard work of the committeemen will come when they get down to figure out how best they can accomplish the desired ends. One scheme was to strengthen the centre of the line of defense at the expense of the ends. Everybody agreed that the defence would have to be weakened, but it was proposed to do that by allowing only six men in the line of scrimmage. Three men stand at least five yards behind the line, and the remaining two men at any distance behind the line desired, but inside the end men on the line.

It is argued that the centre would be so strong that the attack would not care to attempt to force it, while permitting forward passes behind the line of scrimmage would allow so much latitude for open play that the latter would be found more profitable to employ.

ENFORCE THE RULES, DON'T ABOLISH GAME, SAYS TOM SHEVLIN

NEW HAVEN, Dec. 11.—Thomas Shevlin, captain of this year's Yale eleven, who was picked by many experts as an all-American end, said to-night that football is the game of games, and that all efforts to abolish it will fail.

"Why not let well enough alone? Mark you, it will remain the same old game; the same old man to man football.

President Roosevelt sizes up the situation about right. Football is a game for men.

"Did you ever hear of any one seriously injured in one of the games?

"Captain Hurley was hurt,' was suggested.

"Oh, he was all right in a day or two. You can't keep a good game boy like that down long.

"The game is O. K. as it is. Why change the rules? The talk about injuries and brutality is all rot. What do the old maids want—a babies' game?"

OPEN PLAYS WON'T PREVENT ROUGHNESS, SAYS RALPH GLAZE

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—Ralph Glaze, the star end of the Dartmouth football team, who is in New York yesterday, and is not altogether in sympathy with the agitation to open up the game more. "In all the football that I have played," he said, "I never was hurt once in mass play, while I have been hurt in open play. There can be just as much roughness and brutality in the open as in close play, and as far as accidental injuries go there is just as much chance for them in the one as in the other."

AQUATIC WORK AT HARVARD ON WEDNESDAY

The candidates for the Harvard swimming teams will begin work in preparation for their season of active work in the Bright tank, Cambridge, Wednesday of this week. On January 10, the class relay races and an exhibition water polo game will be held in the Cambridge tank. On January 18 the Crimson swimmers will hold a dual meet with Brown at Providence. Some time in February Harvard and Yale will hold their annual aquatic exhibition in the tank of the Brookline Swimming Club. A game with Columbia may be arranged for New York some time in February.

The following captains of the Harvard team, will coach the Crimson swimmers this year: The following are the experienced men eligible: R. Bellman, '06; T. S. Adams, '06; J. J. Quinan, '07; E. H. Sherborne, '06; L. Howe, '07; D. C. Wood, '07; W. Sheperd, '06; J. Palmer, H., and C. D. Davol, '06.

STRONG ICE HOCKEY TEAM

One of the foremost ice hockey teams on the surface this Winter will be the Boston hockey team, which is composed of old Harvard players.

Fred Goodridge will be one of the active members, along with Foster, Wingo, Lovering and other prominent past Crimson hockeyists.

There are seventeen members on the list from candidates for the team, and when it lines up for the first game in the New England Ice Hockey League it will be one of the most formidable aggregations on the ice.

HARVARD'S NEW TRACK COACH

W. E. Quinn has been appointed assistant coach of the Crimson track team to assist Trainer Lathrop. Quinn will surely remain for a month at Harvard, but may stay for the entire season. His specialties are the weights and pole vault. The new coach will begin his duties on January 6.

IN PHILADELPHIA, SATURDAY, ROUSE MEETS O'TOOLE

A good five fight is expected at Philadelphia Saturday night when Rouse O'Brien of South Boston faces Tommy O'Toole. As the latter has had meetings with Jimmy Walsh, who is a great rival of O'Brien's, the opportunity will be given to get a line on the relative abilities of the Hub battlers.

The meeting between Harry Connelly of South Boston and Harry Edels of Chelsea, which is to take place in Portland, Wednesday night, is causing much discussion.

Another bout of interest to the Boston sports is that between George Murray of Lynn and Kid Pantes-in Saturday night. Murray has already to his credit one win over Pantes, but the latter has improved a great deal since his defeat. He has beaten Young Donahue, secured two draws with Austin Rice, the "Iron Man," and knocked out Kid McFadden.

Hughey McGovern, brother of Terry, faces Tommy Love at Philadelphia Tuesday night. Hughey injured one of his shoulders some time ago and it bothers him considerably when boxing. He has also, it is said, been going at a pretty fast pace of late, and Love is liable to land on him.

Danny Dougherty, the clever Philadelphia scrapper, who meets Joe Wagner in Atlanta Thursday night, will gain more than the purse offered if he wins. The members of the Atlanta Club would like to have him as boxing instructor, and Dougherty is willing to accept it. The members, however, arranged the bout with Wagner in order to satisfy themselves that Dougherty is capable of filling the position, as he whips Wagner, and he should do so easily, will be given the job.

The fight between Eddie Hanlon and Kid Herman in Los Angeles, Friday, should be an interesting one, as both are very clever, shifty fellows. It should be a very fast bout, and as one admits defeat the winner will meet the winner of the Aurelio Herrera-Young Corbett battle at the same club later on in the month.

Principal Bouts Carded This Week

TO-NIGHT.

Young Mahoney vs. Hugo Keller, Indianapolis.

Tommy Mowatt vs. W. Willis, Philadelphia.

Harry Lewis vs. Willie Lewis, New York.

TUESDAY.

Danny Dougherty vs. Joe Wagner, Atlanta.

WEDNESDAY.

Larry Connelly vs. Harry Edels, Portland, Me.

THURSDAY.

Hughey McGovern vs. Tommy Love, Philadelphia.

George McFadden vs. Al Greenwood, New York.

Young O'Leary vs. Paddy Nee, Kalamazoo.

FRIDAY.

George Murray vs. Kid Pantz, Augusta.

Eddie Hanlon vs. Kid Herman, Los Angeles.

Aleto Ryan vs. George Memmie, Denver.

SATURDAY.

Rouse O'Brien vs. Tommy O'Toole, Philadelphia.

B. A. A. finals.

Interesting Facts Worth Knowing About Pugilists

Name.	Weight.	Height.	Reach.		
Jim Jeffries	220	6 1	76½	1875	San Francisco, American
Jack Johnson	200	6	74½	Born.	Birthplace and nationality.
Fitzsimmons	169	5 11½	73	1882	Cornwall, Eng., Englishman
Jim Corbett	178	6 1½	76	1880	San Francisco, Irish
"Kid" McCoy	172	5 10½	70	1873	Rush county, Ind., American
Tom Sharkey	190	6	74	1881	Limerick, Ireland, Irish
Jack Root	162	5 10½	71½	1877	Passaic, N.J., American
Joe Gans	132	5 6	68	1878	Baltimore, Md., Negro
Al Kaufman	190	6 1	76		San Francisco, German
Jack Munroe	190	6	74	1880	Denver, Irish-American
George Gardner	165	5 11½	72½	1870	County Clare, Ireland, Irish
Jack O'Brien	168	5 10½	73½	1871	Philadelphia, Hebrew
Martin Hart	195	5 10½	74	1870	Louisville, Ky., American
Joe Walcott	145	5 9	71	1872	Barbadoes, W. Indies, Negro
Jimmy Britt	133	5 6	65½	1880	San Francisco, Irish-American
Battling Nelson	133	5 6	68	1882	Copenhagen, Dane
Young Corbett	133	5 6	67	1880	Denver, American
Terry McGovern	135	5 6½	67½	1884	Brooklyn, Irish
Eddie Hanlon	130	5 5½	69	1885	Johannesburg, Fra., Irish-American
				1885	San Francisco, American

*Right name, Joseph F. Bagen.

BURKETT WILL NOT JUMP TO OUTLAWS

WORCESTER, Dec. 11.—Jesse Burkett of the Boston Americans will not jump to the Pittsburg team of the Tri-State League after all. He and Jimmy Collins of the Boston Americans understand each other thoroughly, and the latter will get his money in due and regular form, although it may be a considerable time.

Jesse has just received a visit from Steve Flanagan of the Lawrence team of the New England League, and Pat Donovan, manager of the Lowell Tri-State League team. Burkett will buy the Lawrence franchise, which is for sale, and will transfer it to this city. He will give all his time to its management, and will not put on the field one exhibition of his life to put a cracker-jack team together. Burkett likes lowa, and he says it is about to be realized.

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A Poem of Praise--Written by Ella Wheeler Wilcox

WE walk on starry fields of white
And do not see the daisies;
For blessings common in our sight
We rarely offer praises.
We sigh for some supreme delight
To crown our lives with splendor,
And quite ignore our daily store
Of pleasures sweet and tender.

OUR cares are bold and push their way
Upon our thoughts and feeling:
They hang about us all the day—
Our time from pleasure stealing.
So unobtrusive many a joy
We pass by and forget it;
But worry strives to own our lives,
And conquers if we let it—

THERE'S not a day in all the year
But holds some hidden pleasure,
And, looking back, joys oft appear
To brim the past's wide measure.
But blessings are like friends, I hold,
Who love and labor near us:
We ought to raise our notes of praise
While living hearts can hear us.

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FULL many a blessing wears the guise
Of worry or of trouble;
Far-seeing is the soul, and wise,
Who knows the mask is double.
But he who has the faith and strength
To thank his God for sorrow
Has found a joy without alloy
To gladden every morrow.

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WE ought to make the moments notes
Of happy, glad thanksgiving;
The hours and days a silent phrase
Of music we are living.
And so the theme should swell and grow
As weeks and months pass o'er us,
And rise sublime at this good time—
A grand thanksgiving chorus.

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Cash Prize Each Day for Best Suggestions for Christmas Gifts

OVER half the letters received in yesterday's mail in this interesting contest contained more lists of presents.

These are all very well, but Santa Claus, remember, is looking for new Christmas hints.

Tell him how you are making some pretty thing. Tell him of some nice novelty for Christmas.

We are all puzzled about what to make or what to buy. We are all asking questions something like these:

What shall I buy my best girl for Christmas?

What would my young man like best?

What shall I get for mother?

What is most suitable for father?

What shall I give grandma?

What shall I get for baby, sister or brother?

How shall I get presents for the whole family for $5?

What Christmas gifts shall I make at home?

Well—now let's put our heads together and see if we can't help ourselves and others, too, in this little difficulty.

Every day, from now until Christmas, the BOSTON AMERICAN will give a cash prize of $2 for the best suggestions for Christmas gifts. Write a letter to "Santa Claus," 80-82 Summer street, Boston, answering any or all of the questions given above. Make your letter short and to the point. Write on one side only of the paper. New ideas are what count.

Letters will be published and by this means ideas will be exchanged; you will aid others and you will be aided yourself. And you may win a $2 prize.

Here are a few of the letters received by Santa Claus this morning:

HOW TO SPEND $5

I SHOULD spend $5 in this way:

To my best girl, a pair of gloves.

To my young man, a pair of cut links or tie.

To mother, a pair of nice aprons; motives cannot have too many.

To father, a pair of slippers.

To grandma, a nice warm house dress or shoulder shawl.

To baby, a nice bonnet or little jacket. If brother and sister get presents, a few of game would be sure to please them. If they are grown up folks, give brother a nice shirt or some hosiery and sister a box of fancy stationery.

NELLIE M. PRERLE.
No. 135 Hawthorne street, Chelsea.

AN ENGAGEMENT RING

A NICE present for a young lady is an easel picture, but best of all is an engagement ring.

A young man always likes an umbrella.

Mother likes a new piece of china for table or a pocket book.

Father likes slippers or a silk handkerchief.

Grandma would enjoy a pair of crochet slippers, very simple to make and so comfortable.

Baby sister or brother would enjoy nested blocks, doll or wagon.

MRS. P. E. JONES.
No. 47 Galen street, Brockton.

WHAT NOT TO BUY

IT seems to me the best plan to follow is where one has five or six or more to purchase gifts for and only a small amount to expend, would be to divide the money into equal parts, one part for each purchase. We could then start on our shopping tour, and buy the very best for our money; by very best I mean always the most sensible gifts.

If your best girl needs a pair of gloves, don't give her a box of candy; that won't keep her hands warm.

If your young man needs a necktie or a muffler, don't give him cigars (?); they will go up in smoke.

If the mother needs a warm Winter hood, don't give her a cheap case.

If the father needs a woolen jacket, don't give him a corncob pipe.

If grandma needs warm mittens, don't give her a fancy apron.

If baby needs a pair of leggings, don't spend the money for toys; they will soon be broken.

One must use common sense in buying Christmas gifts. It would be impossible to tell one just what to buy without a knowledge of individual needs. To divide the money, however, seems to me to be the best thing to do first, and then spend each portion to the very best advantage.

MISS CORA E. RYLEY,
No. 346 Saratoga street, East Boston.

A NOVEL SCHEME

MY suggestion is one that has been adopted by us for many years and never is it heard in our family "what shall I get —— for Christmas." December 1st we all make out a list and fasten on kitchen wall, friends and relatives who are at distance mail their list to us, and that is also pinned on wall.

You say that is too much, but why? Does not every relative and friend to whom you are accustomed to send a present know it? And is it not nice to know you are giving something that is wanted? The element of a surprise is not taken away, for one cannot tell what you will select and surely one will send something on the list that will be within the limit of money set aside for gifts. The family consult one another, so no duplicates are ever made.

Respectfully,
MRS. W. F. BALDWIN,
No. 428 Warren street, Roxbury.

HANDY TOILET BAG

THESE gifts can be all made at home for $5.

Mother—Workbox covered with denims.

Father—Nextite case of holly ribbon.

Grandma—Set-eared slippers, wool lined.

Grandpa—Paper holder.

Sister—Opera bag of Dresden silk.

Brother—Traveling case for toilet articles.

Baby Sister—Embroidered bib.

Baby Brother—Knitted borse rein.

Maid—Stock of ribbon and beautstitching.

To make a traveling case for toilet articles, purchase three-quarters of a yard of cretonne, one-half yard of rubber sheeting three yards of white tape. Take strip of cretonne, fifteen inches long. Bind with rubber sheeting with tape. Sew across the bottom a strip four inches wide and stitch through the center forming two pockets. Above add pockets for soap box and rubber sponge. Leave a lap three inches wide to lap over pocket and hold in place with button and loop. Add straps for combs and brushes.

MRS. AMANDA MILMORE,
No. 908 Tremont street, Roxbury.

GOOD INVESTMENT

FOR the best girl, one-half dozen muslin handkerchiefs in fancy box, to which might be added a nice book or box of nice candy.

For the young man, silk suspenders in nice box, or comb and brush set.

For mother a pair of fur-lined slippers to wear when she sits in the kitchen. How appropriate and useful!

A nice black necktie will please father.

A small woolen shawl will not be very expensive and will be a comfort to grandma.

Baby sister must have a doll, a good one. Indestructible. You could dress it evenings.

The young brother must have a picture puzzle and a pair of warm mittens.

A good investment at this time would be some flannel to make up into new skirts. Take grandma into your confidences, and she will enjoy helping you make them plain or trimmed. They are always a most acceptable present.

MRS. MARY F. HARDY.
No. 22 Ruggles street, Westboro.

SIX USEFUL GIFTS

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:

Please send to my best girl one pair of kid gloves.

Send to my best young man a new tie.

Send to my mother a nice set of underclothes.

Send to father a pair of slippers.

Send to baby a nice blanket.

And send to Grandma one pair of woolen stockings.

M. BATTEY,
No. 247 Grove street, Chicopee Falls.

ABOUT RUGS AND HOW TO BUY THEM

THE woman who hung her pictures on the floor and her rugs on the walls, was one of the jokes of the esthetic craze period, but she knew what she was about, like many other people who are misunderstood of the multitude.

Rich men and women are constantly buying valuable rugs that have been used for hundreds of years in palaces and temples in the East and are still fresh and whole.

The moderns use them for a year or two and complain that they are "falling to pieces." They do not stop to consider that in the East no one would profane the house of prayer by entering therein without first removing his shoes, and even in the palaces the heavy soled and heeled shoe of our time and country never treads upon the rugs that ornament the floors like beautiful pictures.

The woman who hung up her fine rugs was right. The silken rugs are too delicate to be trodden on. They are to kneel on, to hang before doors or windows as draperies, but not to be trampled upon by modern heels.

The good Oriental rug of sturdy quality, not too old or too new, is one of the best investments that the housewife can make. She needs never worry if it will "go" with this or that. It will go with anything, and anywhere. It will be perfectly correct, no matter what the salesmen of Axbusson mostly carpets may tell her when he wants to sell her an extra-agant flower covering for her Louis XV. drawing room.

In the days of Louis and other delicate by colored periods it was quite the thing to have rugs brought from far-off countries, only with even more reverence, as they were not so common.

One can have good Persian, Turkish and Indian rugs now from $14, to $5,000. At the former price are good, serviceable rugs about a foot and a half wide. They are used for various purposes as well as for floors, and fill in odd chinks and corners well.

For $18.50 are antique and modern Cabistan and Daghestans. These are bargains that are usually not to be had for less than $30 and $35. Shirvans very pretty colors and fine designs, made on the border of Persia—are to be had in 2½x5 for $12.50. Oriental colors and designs are to be found in French, English and American rugs. Good sound colors wear better than loosely woven and new Oriental rugs. Smyrnas are serviceable and cheap, and some of them are very effective. They come in many sizes from 18 by 30 inches to 9 by 15 feet and range in price from $1 to $35.

Wilton rugs are always soft, artistic and luxurious in effect. This is the time to pick up great bargains in them, and those rugs which have been used to show as samples when booking orders are sold at great reductions, and they are almost perfectly fresh. They are to be had for $1.00 for a little rug 18 by 36 inches to $30 for one 9 by 12 feet.

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It behooved them, therefore, to make their best speed toward safety, and this they proceeded to do.

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If you had been looked into a boiler in which half a dozen riveters were at work you can form some idea of the din.

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The pipe was wrought iron and bent readily, but it was powerfully made, and after ten minutes pounding in the course of which time both men were suffering from violent headaches, the end had succeeded only in making a large bowl-shaped indentation in it.

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The doctor handed over the missile very willingly.

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SENSIBLE DESIGNS FOR AUTO OR OUTING

LONG COATS BY MRS. OSBORN

THE first coat is made of brown blanket cloth, with a detachable lining of chamois for automobile wear.

The tab fastenings are utilized as decorations, the trimming consisting of rich piping of leather, and leather buttons.

The second is an Empire coat in olive shade, with cuffs and rever edgings in velvet of a deeper tone. The front is in broad box pleats, and the back is the same.

The third is a modified form of the Empire style, a sort of three-quarter box coat of black box cloth collar and cuffs trimmed with pastel cloth.

THREE NEW SUGGESTIONS IN OUTING COATS

JACK HARKAWAY'S SON

CHAPTER XXVIII.

Like Rats in a Trap

FOR a minute Jack was nonplussed. The situation was one which it seemed impossible to view with out absolute despair.

But despair was not a thing that Jack went far to meet.

There was always a way, he maintained, to do everything. Sometimes it was not a safe way, but if it was the only one he took it.

And the way he had now adopted was so far from safe that he dared not confide his plans to the man behind him in the pipe.

He merely said:

"Go back as far as the room and wait for me. I am going to try to get the valve clear."

"But why cannot I stay here?" protested the doctor.

"It would be foolish; and besides I want you to bring me something to hammer with, a piece of metal if you can find one, if not, the heaviest stick of timber you can lay your hands on."

The errand on which he had sent the doctor was only a blind, and long before the latter had reached the chamber Jack had laid a dynamite bomb he had carried since the day of the sidetrack behind the closed side of the valve.

The fuse was short, and the instant he lighted it he scrambled back down the pipe as fast as he could go.

He was none too soon.

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Better Have Loving Quarrels Than Live in a Loveless Peace

By Winifred Black.

MRS. CRAIGIE (John Oliver Hobbes) says that the woman who marries a man because her mother thinks he's a good match is happier than the woman who marries for love. "European marriages," says Mrs. Craigie, "are happier than English or American marriages."

"The European woman is taught to look for her happiness in her children. She has no ideal husband, so the real husband doesn't disappoint her."

I beg to disagree with you, Mrs. Craigie. The only happy married women in the world, to my mind, are the American women who marry for love.

In the first place, every time you allow any set of conventional rules to interfere with the plain course of nature you are laying up trouble for yourself. The girl who marries for love is doing the natural thing, and, therefore, she is doing the sensible thing.

Nine times out of ten she selects her natural mate. If he turns out a good-for-nothing, so much the worse for her. Not necessarily, however, so much the worse for her children.

Nature pairs off people for the good of the race, and it is a solemn and a serious thing to interfere with her plans.

Looking at the matter of marriage from the purely impersonal standpoint of the greatest good to the greatest number, any woman who marries for any reason except love is an enemy to the race.

Looking at marriage from the personal standpoint, even, I still must contradict Mrs. Craigie.

What do you mean by a happier woman, my dear madam? Is the person who hopes for nothing, demands nothing and expects nothing necessarily the happiest person? I don't think so.

A very celebrated actress, who has a distinguished French husband, was showing some friends of mine a beautiful necklace one day. "Isn't it sweet?" she said. "The Count bought it this morning. I would like to have one like it, wouldn't you?"

The necklace was for another woman. The distinguished actress knew it, knew also that it was purchased with the money she had earned. She made no protest. Do you believe, therefore, that she was happy over it?

Mrs. Craigie says by inference that the European woman expects her husband to be faithless, and that she is, therefore, not overwhelmed with disappointment when he turns out to be what she expects.

I expect my dentist to hurt me every time I go to have a tooth pulled, and the pain is just as great every time as if I went there expecting a crown of roses.

What you expect, Mrs. Craigie, is very apt to turn out to be true. Did you never find that if you expect a man to steal from you he is quite likely to justify your suspicions?

The American woman expects her husband to be true to her, to be kind to her and to be devoted to her. In nine cases out of ten she gets just exactly what she expects.

If the European wife were not quite so resigned to take third place in her husband's affection she might have the delightful experience of finding herself where she belongs, first in his heart.

If you throw your fine coat in the mud for a vandal to step on he may be surprised the first time; the second time you do it he will smile down on you with gracious condescension, and the third time he will ask you why you don't get a new cloak for his feet to tread upon.

Happy marriages? What do you call a happy marriage, Mrs. Craigie? A marriage in which the woman throws about her misery the meek cloak of resignation? It is the right of every woman to love and to be loved. When she is cheated out of that love by her own fault, the fault of her husband or the fault of some silly rule of conventionality she is a miserable woman, no matter what she may please to say about it.

I'd rather quarrel fifty times a day with the man I loved than to live in absolute peace for fifty years with the man to whom I was indifferent.

So would any woman who is a real woman and not a little niminy-piminy nincompoop who dances to any music that plays for her.

TIPS FOR WOMEN SHOPPERS

Small change purses in Indian printed leather are 50 cents.

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Beaded purses in gilt mountings come in a variety of lovely color combinations and designs for $1.75 and $5.50. There are some odd shapes, too, noted in this interesting collection.

An umbrella stand in the popular hammered brass is a reproduction of a Turkish design and is marked $12.75.

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Belt buckles in silver gray metal, with enamelings and trimmings of cut steel, silver, gilt, etc., are selling for $1.65 and upward.

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the reporter explained. "There is a big apartment house there, a fashionable establishment, in a side street, just off Commonwealth avenue. It is five stories in all, and is cut up into small suites, of two and three rooms with bath. These suites are all handsomely, even luxuriously furnished, and are occupied by people who can afford to pay for them. The prices range from $100 up to $250 a month, so that will probably give you an idea of what sort of a place it is.

"These tiny suites are occupied mostly by young married couples, while several cases they are taken by husband and wife. No one is permitted to do housekeeping. Instead, all meals are served in the cafe on the lower floor. The prices here are by no means high, as was evidenced by the appearance of the suites. It is a house of every modern improvement, elevator service, bell boys, liveried door men, spacious corridors and all that. It has both the gas and electric systems of lighting, and is at liberty to use either or both as they please.

"A young banker of State street, by name Weldon Henley, occupies one of the handsomest of these suites, being on the second floor, in front. He has achieved considerable success in the street, and being of a liberal bent does not mind the pay $250 a month for the place furnished. He is a bachelor and lives there alone. There is no valet or personal servant. He dabbles in photography as a hobby, and is said to be remarkably expert. He has exhibited some of his finest photographs from time to time in his apartments to friends, is in fact very proud of them.

"At times, too, he holds little afternoon receptions—teas and that sort of thing. There's his sister, Mrs. Blaisdell, the wife of the banker, chaperoning these affairs.

"At such times he gathers about him some of the most select people of the city. These little affairs are regarded as exceptionally clever and smart, particularly as there is always present some new form of amusement for his guests.

"Recently there was a report that Mr. Henley was to be married this Winter to a beautiful Virginia girl who has been visiting Boston from time to time, a Miss Lipscomb—Charlotte Lipscomb of Richmond. Henley has never denied or affirmed this rumor although he has been asked about it often. Miss Lipscomb is impossible of access even when she visits Boston. Now she is in Virginia, I understand, but will return to Boston later in the season."

The reporter paused, lighted a cigarette and leaned forward in his chair, gazing steadily into the inscrutable eyes of the specialist.

"I neglected to say that Henley had, when he took the suite, requested that all the electric lighting apparatus be removed from his apartments," he went on. "He had taken a long lease of the place, and this was done. Therefore he used only gas for lighting purposes, and he usually keeps one of his gas jets burning low all night."

"Bad, bad, bad for his health," interrupted the scientist.

"Now comes the mystery of the affair," the reporter went on. "It was 3:30 o'clock or so ago Henley retired as usual, about midnight. He left a burner burning low, side—he is positive of that—and awoke about four o'clock in the morning nearly asphyxiated by the gas.

"He was barely able to get up and open the window to get in the fresh air. The gas jet he had left burning was out, and the entire suite was full of gas. It was not long, however, before he was able to get up, and he would have been asphyxiated.

"Accident, possibly," said The Thinking Machine. "A draught through the apartments, a slight diminution of gas pressure which cut off the gas for a moment, a hundred possibilities."

"So it was presumed," said the reporter, "but suppose it would have been impossible for—"

"Nothing is impossible," said the other, tartly. "Don't say that. It annoys me exceedingly."

"Well, then, it seems highly improbable that the door had been opened or that any one came into the room and did this deliberately," the newspaper man went on, with a slight smile. "So he said nothing about this; attributed it entirely to accident. The next night he lighted his gas as usual, but he left it burning a little brighter. It being shaded from his eyes by a green globe. Then the same thing happened again."

"Ah," said The Thinking Machine clapped his pudgy hands. "The gas went out on the same way the second time?"

"And again he awoke just in time to save himself," continued the reporter. "He attributed the affair to accident and determined to avoid a recurrence of the affair by doing away with the gas at night. Then he got a small night lamp, and used this for a week or more."

"Why does he have a light at all?" asked the scientist, testily.

"I can hardly answer that," replied Hatch. "I may say, however, that he is of a very nervous temperament, and gets up frequently during the night. He told me himself that he feels occasionally when he can't sleep, in addition to that he has slept with a light going all his life; it's a habit."

"Go on," said the other.

"One night he came in as usual intending to use the night lamps, but it had disappeared. It seems he couldn't sleep, so he lighted the gas again and retired. The next night he found the night lamp in the hall, and passed out of his mind at the time that it had been dismissed as unnecessary. Next morning, at about the same hour, he awoke, and, passing through the hall, he saw a room that leaves opposite Henley's, smelling gas and made a quick investigation. The gas was turned on full in the front room. I supposed it possible that some one might have come in and turned on enough to extinguish the lights all over the apartments, turned it low, and left it, presuming that it was done purposely. Then I went to the room and awoke Mr. Henley."

"It might be," was the comment, "but not for me just who in the house are being asphyxiated in their sleep. Why, I should all night; also what opportunity there would have to get at the rooms—and then something else. Henley's door affords no key. Who's door-key has he? Don't you find out these things some book here?"

That afternoon at 1 o'clock Henley returned to the apartments and The Thinking Machine, with excitement plainly apparent on his usually placid face.

"Well?" asked The Thinking Machine.

"The Thinking Machine," said Henley, plored as a maid by Mrs. Standing in the house, was found dead in her room on the third floor to-day at noon.

"Dear me," said the other, rising quickly. "It looks like a case. I'll be there directly. Tell no one. She was in the public view. This room she had not appeared, there was an odor of gas and the door was broken in. Then she was found dead."

"With the gas turned on?"

"With the gas turned on. She was asphyxiated."

"Dear me, dear me," exclaimed the scientist. He arose and took up his hat. "Let's go see what this is all about."

To Be Continued To-morrow.

Prize Winners in "Kidnapped-Baby Blake" Mystery

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DAY-OFF-IN-5 SCHEDULE MAKES FIRE LADS HAPPY

Charlestown Engineman Tells How New Order Brightens His Home Life.

The laddies of the Boston Fire Department, which is acknowledged as second to none in the country—not even to the crack metropolitan department of New York—take like fishes to the water to the new one-day-off-in-five regime instituted by order of acting Mayor Daniel A. Whelton. The married firemen, who constitute a majority of the department, are particularly delighted. Their wives and their children appreciate it as only a man's family can. "Papa's" visits home are more frequent under the new arrangement. The firemen themselves say it makes them feel more like men and less like machines. They all approve of discipline in the department to promote the utmost efficiency, but, as one of them expressed it, they don't like to feel that they were firemen, and they want all the home life they can get consistent with the nature of their duties.

Twelve-Hour Shift Wanted.

New schedules of days off have just gone into effect. One of the best beneficiaries under the new plan is William H. Shute of Engine 32, Charlestown. Mr. Shute is a typical example of the married fireman. He has a devoted wife and loving children, in whose society he finds his greatest delight. His sentiments regarding the new day off order are echoed by all his fire-fighting comrades.

"I joined the department," he says, "about twenty years ago as a call man. I served as a call man for about twelve years, and in 1897 I was appointed on the regular force."

"What do the firemen think of this new system?"

"Well, I'll tell you what most of us want is an eight-hour shift or a twelve-hour shift—we feel that this is a big step in the right direction. A fireman should have the privilege of seeing his wife and children and spending a few hours with them occasionally. The smaller the interval of time between those occasions the better it is for the fireman himself, his children and the citizens of Boston.

"I get more opportunities now to take my family around. It means about thirty more days in every year that I have to myself."

CONSUMPTIVES' FREE HOME FAIR

The fair of "Ye Boys of Paul Revere," under the auspices of the Young Ladies' Charitable Association in aid of the Free Home for Consumptives at No. 128 Quincy street, Dorchester, opens this evening at Paul Revere Hall, Mechanics building, and will continue through the week.

The charity is a worthy one. No pay patients are admitted and no salaries are paid to the officers of the home.

MAINE'S RECORD FOR DEER RISES

BANGOR, Me., Dec. 11.—Receipts of deer Sunday bring the total for the season to 4,458, or 342 in excess of the number on the corresponding date last year. The figures to date are 214, the same as last year.

VICTORIA FALLS TO RUN DYNAMOS

LONDON, Dec. 11.—The African Concessions Syndicate has just been consulting experts on the subject of transmission of power from the Victoria Falls to the Witwaters Rand.

The experts are of opinion that the scheme is not only quite feasible, but that it would be commercially successful. Even in the driest season there is sufficient water to produce half a million horsepower while the Rand at present consumes only 150,000 horsepower.

BEARD UNCUT FOR 34 YEARS

OXFORD, Mich., Dec. 11.—If all men followed the example of W. I. Gibbs of this village, the poorhouse would be full of barbers. For twenty-four years Mr. Gibbs has not suffered a pair of scissors to pro fane his beard.

ANARCHIST WHO SHOT FRICK NOW CHRISTIAN

PITTSBURG, Dec. 11. Alexander Berkman, the Anarchist who shot H. C. Frick some years ago, became converted to Christianity during the religious exercises at the workhouse here to-day. He is serving the last six months of his fifteen year term.

PASTOR PREFERS BEER.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 11. "I believe that a stomach full of beer is better for a man than one full of apple dumplings," said the Rev. James Allison Barnes, pastor of the Boston Avenue Presbyterian church, addressing a meeting at Goodrich House, on physical exercise. He was explaining the need of a perfect physical body in which the spirit of man should dwell.

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MISSING GIRL BACK, A BRIDE

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 11.—Meyer Pinskey, who for two weeks has been seeking his seventeen-year-old daughter, Jennie, has found her, but as a bride. Her husband is Abraham Sapolsky of this city, a young man of her father's choice, to whom she was engaged. Sapolsky received from his fiancee a telegram dated in New York, asking him to meet her in Boston. He hastened to Boston and found her. During a conference in a Boston hotel they discussed the matrimonial question anew, and she expressed a willingness to be married before returning to Portland.

MAINE FIRMS LOSE $38,000 IN FIRE

SKOWHEGAN, Me., Dec. 11.—Fire caused by an overheated connection in the shafting, destroyed the mill of the Skowhegan Pulp Company. The factory of the Maine Spinning Company was also badly damaged.

The pulp company is a corporation organized by local capital, employs thirty men and has a daily output of eighteen tons. Its loss will be $30,000; insurance $25,000.

The loss to the Maine Spinning Company re machinery and stock will reach $8,000, which is covered by insurance.

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WILLIAM RANDOLPH HEARST

80 AND 82 SUMMER ST., BOSTON, DECEMBER 11, 1905.

SUICIDE IS GOING OUT OF FASHION IN COREA

Too Bad Some Foolish AMERICAN Customs Don't Go Out of Fashion, Too

Prince Min, of Corea, came to New York from Paris, and learned that his brother had just committed suicide.

It used to be the fashion in Corea for all the immediate relatives of a suicide to kill themselves, too, so the reporters who met Prince Min asked him rather anxiously about his plans for self-destruction.

The little prince was very sorry to hear of his brother's death. His brown eyes filled with tears, and his voice trembled as he asked for the particulars. His grief was extremely pathetic and un-Oriental, and what he said about committing suicide was not what the reporters expected.

"That is no longer done. It is not the fashion," he said, and then, overcome with emotion, he went to his stateroom.

From Prince Min's reply we learn that Corea, while she is not yet as far advanced as Japan, is making SOME progress. It is still fashionable for a high officer to kill himself because his country has lost her liberty. That is why Min's brother took his own life.

But sacrificing an entire family is no longer regarded as necessary to vindicate the honor of the patriot. Thus far has Corea advanced toward enlightened civilization.

Here in America we smile at Corean customs, and consider that the country has gone forward very little indeed when custom still demands that a public officer kill himself because of the Japanese protectorate lately established.

But, after all, Corea and its people are not so very different from this country and the men and women who live in it.

The Coreans are at least abolishing A FEW of their bad fashions. They are trying to advance, copying of the good things in the manners of other peoples.

How about the bad fashions in America? How many of them do we try to improve?

In dress we are not half so sane as the Coreans, yet we laugh at their loose, graceful garments, while we go about with high, unhealthful collars, foolish stiff hats and shirt fronts that are as hideous as they are uncomfortable.

The women of America, instead of turning to Corea for models, get their fashions from Paris, distort their bodies and deform their vital organs with straitjackets, pinch their feet into absurd high-heeled shoes, and wear hats that exaggerate the ugliness of the rest of their costumes.

Science and experience teach us nothing in the matter of styles. Common sense is never applied to them. Even that desire for comfort that is part of the instinct of self-preservation is helpless to make them better.

In education we are as stupid as in dress, clothing the minds of children according to prevailing fashions, utterly unmindful of what reason shows to be the wisest and best mode of instruction.

Of course it is easy to laugh at Prince Min and his country. We long have been partly horrified and partly amused by the Chinese method of deforming women's feet, of wearing pigtails, of eating with chopsticks instead of knives and forks.

But, led by the progressive little Japanese, the Oriental people are beginning to give up their bad fashions, and, in making new ones, to follow the BEST AND WISEST customs they can find in other countries.

Until we can dress as sensibly as the Coreans, love our country as much as the Japanese, and cultivate the same reverence for the old that is almost law in China, we are scarcely justified in our feeling of mighty superiority.

THE HALL-ROOM BOYS

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SAY FERD, THERE'S JACK COTCUSH'S SISTERS IN THERE LET'S GO IN. WELL GIVE THEM THE IDEA THAT OUR TASTE ARE OF A HIGH ORDER EVEN IF WE HAVEN'T THE PRICE. IT'S TEND TO RAISE US IN THEIR ESTIMATION TOO. MORE OR AN EQUAL FOOTING AS IT WERE
ORIENTAL RUG SALE
PERHAPS IT'LL HELP TOWARDS IN TO CULTIVATING OUR ACQUAINTANCE MORE
1
WHY HOW DO MISS COTCUSH. YES WE JUST DROPPED IN TO INSPECT, BUT IT'S PRACTICALLY IMPOSSIBLE TO GET WHAT YOU WANT IN THIS COUNTRY TRAVELLING IN THE ORIENT ONE HAS A CHANCE TO PICK UP A RARE RUG OR A PRICELESS TAPESTRY BUT HERE, YOU NEVER KNOW WHETHER YOU'RE GETTING THE GENUINE OR I SHOULD
2
HOW MUCH GENTLEMEN? I AM OFFERED $125 FOR THIS RARE ORIENTAL RUG.
I DON'T FANCY THE DESIGN THOUGH THE WEAVE SHOWS CAREFUL WORKMANSHIP.
THE REDS PREDOMINATE RATHER TOO STRONG
3
SAY PERCY, DIDN'T WE PLAINLY TAKE GIRL UP THROUGH AND THEY WEREN'T
$1.98 — NO THAT'S TOO FEW. SHE SHOWS SOMETHING FOR ABOUT SO?
THE SCENE SHIFTS TO SIEGELMARSH'S RUG DEPT.
4
SUCH A CHEAP PLACE? WHAT EVER PUT IT INTO YOUR HEAD TO COME TO THIS STORE? WHY THERE ARE THE HALLROOM BOYS! LETS GO OVER
WHERE SHALL WE FIND THE MUSIC COUNTER?
ELEVATOR
5
THE ADDRESS IS 34TH STEENTH ST. YOU SAY. SEND IT UP? 484 PLEASE.
WHY I'M HALL ROOM COULDN'T YOU GET SUITED IN THE OTHER PLACE?
W.R.H.Co. Gen.
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They Invest in a Few Fine Oriental Rugs

Lessons in Municipal Ownership

XXXII.

The Labor Question Again

By Professor Frank Parsons

IN Leeds (420,000 population) the manager of the city electric light works told me there was "absolutely no politics" in his department, and leading citizens of both parties confirmed his statement. The City Council is run on party lines, but not the public service departments.

The manager also said that municipalization had increased wages. I asked him if the city could not get its light cheaper if it paid only the market wage. He said, "Yes, but the city would lose in higher values what it would gain in material values. Men are not for electric light works. Electric light works are for men. The main object is not cheap electric light but fine humanity."

The head of the street railway department in the same city told me that when the city took the tramways the "effect was to raise wages and shorten hours greatly." The hours were reduced from fourteen to ten per day. Fares were lowered also, and a one-cent fare introduced for short rides.

The manager of the Manchester tramways tells me that the change to city ownership and operation resulted in cutting the hours of labor from seventy per week to fifty-four per week. The pay of conductors was raised 25 per cent, and the average pay per hour rose 50 per cent. for all the tram men.

A gentleman closely connected with one of Boston's big public service corporations said to me yesterday that "the tendency to raise wages and shorten hours constituted a serious objection to municipal ownership. It creates a privileged class and it takes money out of the public for the benefit of a special group of workers."

Well, if high wages to a mass of workers is objectionable as creating a privileged class, what shall be said about high profits to a few owners of private gas and electric works and street railways?

In fact, however, municipal ownership does not aim at privilege, but seeks to lift wages and shorten hours for all workers. This cannot be done all at once under present conditions. It must be done a step at a time, and the best a municipality can do is to set the example in its own field.

The high wage and short hour in city departments fixes a higher standard of living and gradually the private companies are obliged to come up to the city level.

The managers of many public plants in this country and across the sea have told me that the difference of hours and wages between public and private works, which was so marked when the city plants were first established, has gradually diminished and in some cases wholly disappeared through the adoption of the city standard by the companies, sometimes voluntarily and sometimes under pressure from organized labor with the city example as a sledge-hammer argument.

Finally, under reasonably good management, the public gets full value for the high wages paid municipal gas, electric light and street railway employes. It gets value partly in industrial service, and partly in manhood, citizenship and civilization—products that are worth much more than gas, electricity or transportation.

Well paid labor is the foundation of good government, civic development, social and individual morality. A city that invests in these things is much wiser than one that allows a few stockholders to take the money paid by the public for light and transit and absorb for their private profit large sums that ought to go in the form of good wages to the development of manhood and civilization for the benefit of the whole public that pays the money.

MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP LEAGUE

Ward ..... City .....

I, the undersigned, enroll myself a member of the Municipal Ownership League of the city in which I reside. I pledge myself to use every honorable effort to bring about the municipal ownership of public utilities. I believe that city lighting plants to supply the needs of cities and of the citizens as well is one object to be attained.

Name .....

Street Address .....

Cut this out, sign it and mail it to the Secretary of the Municipal Ownership League, No. 80 Summer street.

WHEN THE WORLD IS YOUNG

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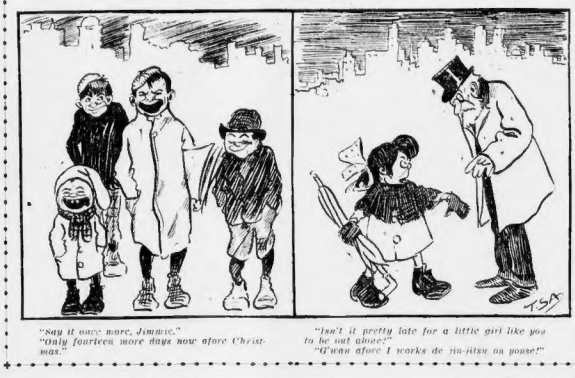

"Say it once more, Jimmie." "Only fourteen more days now afore Christmas."

"Isn't it pretty late for a little girl like you to be out alone?" "G'wan afore I works de ju-jitsu on youse!"

ISN'T IT JUST LIKE A WOMAN?

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I'VE GOT A SURPRISE FOR YOU DEAR, BUT I WON'T TELL YOU WHAT IT IS.
IT'S SOMETHING TO WEAR AND IT'S RED AND BLUE AND GREEN.
I KNOW WHAT IT IS— IT'S A NECKTIE!
YOU MEAN THING WHY DID YOU GUESS IT! I WANTED IT TO BE A SURPRISE!

1. *She tells her husband she has a surprise for him.* 2. *And she gives him so many hints about it——* 3. *That he easily guesses what it is.* 4. *And then she is deeply upcast. NOW ISN'T THAT JUST LIKE A WOMAN?*

Now for the Heathen Right Here at Home

By Rev. Thomas B. Gregory

THE Rev. Mr. Crydenwise of Forty Fort, Pa., is reported as declaring that there are far too many preachers and churches in this country — in many places twice as many as are needed—and that our superfluous theological talent should be directed to heathen countries, where there is so much more need for it.

But the question forces itself upon us: "Is it really a fact that the so-called heathen lands are in greater need of religious and moral teachings than our own country is?"

In some respects—in many respects—the heathen are away ahead of us "Christians," as we are in the habit of calling ourselves.

The foundation of religion is Morality, and the foundation of Morality is Love, Justice and Personal Integrity.

How do the heathen compare with us in these directions?

We dare not attempt to answer the question—lest we condemn ourselves.

India is a heathen country, and yet in India human life—and the life of every other living thing—is sacred in the people's eyes.

The Mohammedan lands are heathen, and yet in all such lands the people eschew strong drink as they would eschew the Devil himself.

China is a heathen land, and yet in China a man's word is, generally speaking, as good as a Bank of England note. As a rule, the people speak truth to one another, and deal with each other according to the canons of the strictest honesty.

Nowhere else is human life so cheap as it is in the United States of America. Nowhere else is there such coldblooded selfishness and brutality in the struggle for life. Nowhere else is civilization such a heartless, unfeeling juggernaut.

With our alleged plethora of preachers and churches we can show, in our New Yorks, Chicagos and Bostons a great deal more misery and wretchedness, brought on by greed and cruelty, than can be found in the great cities of heathendom.

The inhumanity that "makes its thousands mourn" exists here to a much greater extent than it does in the lands where the light of the Gospel has never shone.

It is safe to say that there is a hundredfold more drunkenness in America than there is in India or Turkey or Japan, and as for murder, statistics show that there are more homicides in the single city of Chicago every year than there are in all India, with its three hundred millions of population.

In this country, if a man has anything in the way of valuables he must put them in a strong box if he would not have them stolen, while in many places in the heathen lands his valuables would be safe anywhere, the honesty of the people being such that they would never think of molesting that which did not belong to them.

Why, then, this talk of sending our superfluous ministers to the heathen? Let them stay at home, where they are needed, as they are not needed in heathen lands.

Christianity is already among the heathen to a much greater extent than it is among ourselves, and what we need is to get our own people to hear the Gospel and live by it.

Vanished Heroes

By James J. Montague

WHERE is Halfback Squshenup, who used to smash the line;
Who lithely sped from head to head
And trampled faces 'neath his tread
The minute that the quarter said:
"Sixteen-eleven-nine"?

He's playing jackstones harmlessly upon his bedroom floor,
For Squshenup's a dead one now that football is no more.

Where is Middy Beatyerblock, who used to love to fight;
Who'd spoil your looks with jabs and hooks,
And bring the gore in trickling brooks;
Who didn't know a lot of books,
But sure could fight all right?
He's playing authors solemnly and chewing gum the while;
No more we'll hear of Beatyerblock, for fighting's out of style.

And what of Pitcher Spiralwist, who on his fingers spat,
And deftly wound them all around
The whizzing sphere the batter found
Curved hot and hurtling, safe and sound
Two feet beyond his bat?
He's darning dollies quietly, preparing for the day
When baseball gets too brutal for a gentleman to play.

Sporting Gossip

By Wex Jones

MORE money is lost on the race tracks of the country in one season than there is in circulation.

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Football this season was better than ever before. Yale University cleared $25,053. Starvard did almost as well.

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In the West the sporting spirit is gradually gaining. Wishegain made $350 more on football this year than last.

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Scruff, the famous amateur sprinter, will soon be able to retire from athletics permanently. He holds all records from $5 to $1,000.

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Pencilvania's famous ninth baseman will receive, next season, the biggest salary ever paid in the American League. He is a shining example of what college training will do for a young man. Before going to Pencil Dubbs never made more than $1.50 and a glass of beer for one game.

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Talk of abolishing football is utter foolishness. Why, the game this season drew money enough to pay ten times over the salaries of the professors who oppose it.

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And where would college spirit be without football? It costs money to keep up a good eleven, and without money there is no victorious team, and without a victorious team there is no college spirit.

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England's famous long-distance runner, the great Scrubb, hardly clears expenses on his recent tour of Australasia. Amateur athletics "down under" don't amount to much when there is no money in it for a world's champion.

Little Editorials from the People

WHAT IN THE SOCIETY WITH THE LONG NAME GOING TO DO ABOUT THIS?

Editor BOSTON AMERICAN:

I would like to say a few words in your valuable paper in behalf of the animals that are brought to our slaughter houses over the different railroads. I was present one cold morning at one of our local stock yards when the stock trains arrived, and fifty little calves were taken from the trains frozen to death. Just imagine the suffering of those poor creatures that we may be provided with toothsome meats, and the cows and other animals that were alive, in what condition were they to go to slaughter? And those that were to be shipped across, in what condition were they to make a voyage of ten days or two weeks on rough seas? I make this appeal in particular to "The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals," but any prominent man or woman could take the matter up and attend to it.

I would suggest that they ask the railroads to furnish warmer cars for the animals in Winter, and I feel sure the request would be granted, as the railroad officials are always courteous and glad on every matter due consideration. We understand that the animals should have ventilation, but it is a most wicked thing to put them into cars, where at the end of the route they are taken out frozen to death.

"A FRIEND OF ANIMALS."

Boston.